



COMMERCIAL EXTERIOR IMPROVEMENT GRAND APPLICATION

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FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED, LIMITED FUNDS

The Connersville Urban Enterprise Association offers grants to commercial/industrial building owners within the zone for a variety of purposes. The CUEA's main objectives for the grant program are visual improvements, historic preservation, and structural integrity.

Property Owner Name: _____

Company Name: _____

Property Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

Estimated Project Cost: _____

Estimated Start of Project: _____ End: _____

Of Employees Employed at This Location: _____

Of Employees Living in the Enterprise Zone: _____

Project Description: Describe in detail the proposed project, its major activities, and the need for the project. If extra space is needed, please attached additional documents.

*The information given is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.
Furthermore, I give permission for use of our name and photographs to be taken by
the CUEA staff and/or volunteers for media purposes.*

Signature: _____ Date: _____



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Program Guidelines

- CUEA pays 50% of the total project costs with a \$2,500.00 maximum on a pre-approved project.
- Application must be approved (or rejected) in writing.
- Three (3) estimates in the form of a contractor's bid must accompany application along with a "before" photo. Estimates must include materials/products lists and labor cost breakdown. Owner makes selection of contractor. A project start and completion date must be included.
- Eligible projects include exterior painting or cleaning; historic restoration; awnings; roofs; and guttering and replacement of windows. Exterior improvements must follow style approved in downtown design plan. If the building is in an historic district, a Certificate of Appropriateness from the Historic Preservation Commission must be obtained prior to starting work.
- CUEA will make payment to applicant upon completed work and a final bill is submitted and copies of cancelled checks for are provided. An "after" photo must also be submitted.
- All work must be completed and funded within agreed upon start and finish date. Penalties for not completing the project within the agreed timeframe are subject to a penalty of \$100 per day. If delays are outside of the contractor's control, time may be extended only upon CUEA Board approval.
- Grants are only available one time per three (3) years from completion of project per location, individual, or business.
- The property cannot be sold within three (3) years of completion or the full amount shall be returned to the CUEA.
- Applicant shall not use money granted for any other project or materials not in the application or be subject to reimbursing the CUEA for the amount spent.
- Applicant may be asked to submit to credit and background checks
- The property cannot be sold within three (3) years of completion. If property is sold within the three (3) years, then reimbursement will be made on a pro-rated basis. Within 1st year 100%, within 2nd year 75%, and within the 3rd year 50%.

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