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2025 FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM APPLICATION

Application Deadline: April 1, 2025. Applications received after this date will be considered if grant monies still available. Date: Applicant is the: ☐ Property Owner ☐ Business Owner Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Applicant Name: Address: Email: ____ P.C. ____ City: Property Address: ___ Legal Description of the property where the project will occur: Please attach a detailed description of the improvements that are proposed. Attach supporting materials including a description of the project, photos of the existing building façade, drawings of the proposed improvements (if applicable), two (2) quotes, a detailed line item budget and a project schedule. Please ensure all attachments are clearly labelled. Total Cost of Improvements: \\$ Grant requested: Approximate Date Project Construction will begin: Proposed Completion Date: Deadline Dec. 31, 2025 **BUILDING INFORMATION:** To your knowledge is the building a *Heritage Building*? ☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ UNKNOWN Number of Stories: ____ Square Feet / Storey: Total Square Feet: Ground: _ First: Second: Third: Total Square Feet Vacant: Current use: ☐ Retail ☐ Restaurant ☐ Office ☐ Service ☐ Other Commercial ☐ Residential ☐ Other (please tick all appropriate boxes) I understand that my submission of an application does not constitute a guarantee for Office Use Only funding under the Façade Improvement Program. I certify that all information is true and Date of Application Review: _ Date Rec'd: _ accurate to the best of my knowledge and, if approved, work will be completed in Application Complete: ☐ YES ☐ NO (If no, provide details) accordance with terms and conditions of the Performance Agreement entered into with the DMRBIA and the City of Maple Ridge. Decision: ☐ APPROVED ☐ APPROVED / CONDITIONS ☐ NOT APPROVED Amount of Grant: **Applicant Signature** PLEASE ATTACH THE FOLLOWING ITEMS: ☐ Copy of Property Title ☐ Project Description ☐ Photos of the existing building façade ☐ Detailed line item budget ☐ Sketch/illustrations/drawings of the proposed improvements, incl. colour scheme □ Description of materials ☐ Project schedule (Start and End Date) ☐ Two (2) Contract Quotes

Note: Information collected in this application form is confidential and collected for the purpose of administrating the Facade Improvement Program and to maintain communications as considered necessary. Please note that the name & location of the building and facade improvement designs may be released to various organizations, the media, and the public if the applicant receives a grant under the Façade Improvement Program.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Eligible buildings must be located within the Downtown Maple Ridge Business Improvement Association (DMRBIA) Area.
- The applicant must be the property or business owner, with property owner's written consent.
- Grants are only paid upon completion of the pre-approved façade improvement project.; applications submitted after project is completed (or started) are not eligible.
- Maximum grant is 50% of cost of eligible improvements, maximum of \$10,000 per building façade (Max \$20,000 if corner).
- Only projects which meet the list of eligible improvements, or are otherwise deemed eligible upon review by the Project Review Committee may be eligible to receive a grant.

PROCEDURE

- All applicants are encouraged to directly connect with the DMRBIA prior to formally submitting their application to discuss the program process, project design, and eligible improvements.
- Completed application submitted to the DMRBIA.
- Pre-construction inspection conducted by the Project Review Committee.
- The Project Review Committee reviews the application and will either approve, approve with conditions or refuse an application at its discretion. Additional information may be requested.
- A Performance Agreement is entered into between the successful applicant and the DMRBIA, which will include a detailed description of the project, total cost of the project, list of eligible project expenses, start and completion dates of the project (completion must occur by December 31, 2025), amount of the grant awarded, and any conditions.
- Project construction begins.
- Applicant provides to the DMRBIA a Certificate of Completion signed by the applicant and contractor or architect, copies of all bills
 pertaining to the project, proof of payment, and proof of final inspection (where required) + "after pictures".
- Completed project is inspected by the Project Review Committee.
- Applicant is issued a cheque.

ELIGIBLE FAÇADE IMPROVEMENTS

Façade and storefront features eligible to be renovated, restored, or redesigned with grant dollars include:

Exterior Walls Doors	Windows	Exterior Architectural Details	Landscaping Elements
Entranceways Exterior Signage	Storefronts	Exterior Decorative Details Design, Architectural, Engineering Fees Moldings/Trim/Cornices	Exterior Security Lighting Façade Cleaning & Painting Laneways
	Awnings Patio Areas		

^{*} SIGNAGE: Applications for signage only (exterior business signs, awnings etc.) have limited funding and approval. Signage requests should be included in an overall update with other improvements. Vinyl "stick on" signage and temporary signage is not eligible.

GRANT APPROVAL

- All project proposals are subject to a comprehensive review of the building storefront and façade, must meet high quality stan-dards, and must reflect the spirit and intent of the Façade Improvement Program Guide.
- Submission of an application is not a guarantee of funding approval or a specific grant amount.

GRANT REIMBURSEMENT PROCESS

- The applicant must provide the following to the DMRBIA for reimbursement:
- A Certificate of Completion signed by the applicant and contractor or architect;
- Copies of all bills pertaining to the project and proof of payment (copies of credit card receipts or cancelled cheques);
- Proof that the improvements have passed final inspection (where required) and meet all District of Maple Ridge requirements including zoning, building and safety code (where required);
- Project inspection completed by Project Review Committee;
- Applicant is issued a cheque.

IMPORTANT

Full details of this program are contained in the Façade Improvement Program Guide.

> Applicant must obtain all necessary permits and take into consideration the additional time required to obtain such permits.

The City of Maple Ridge encourages interested parties to reach out to the building counter for assistance.

Building Department - General Inquiries, Tel: 604-467-7311, Email: building Department - Permit Applications, Email: permitapplications@mapleridge.ca

Information can also be obtained via the <u>Building Permits & Inspections page</u>. Changes may likely require sign, and/or building permit(s). As you are formulating your plans please refer to the <u>Maple Ridge Town Centre Development Permit Area Guidelines</u>.