

Defined Program Area

The project area this year is city-wide and available to any business and/or property owner within the City of Painesville.



How much funding is available?

The City of Painesville has received \$35,765 for renovation projects over the next year. This money must be spent by July 2015.

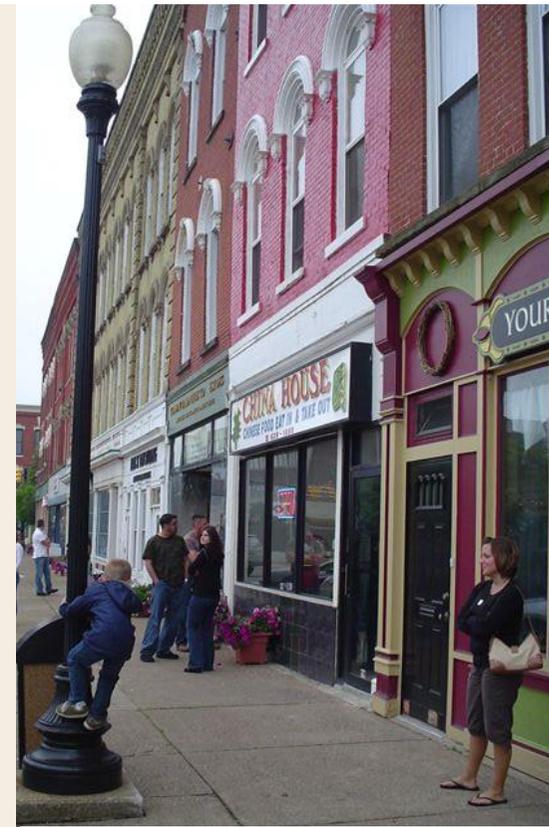
How much match is required?

A 30% match is required.

Request Amount	Match Required
\$10,000	\$3,000
\$7,000	\$2,100
\$5,000	\$1,500
\$2,000	\$ 600
\$1,000	\$ 300
\$ 500	\$ 150

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This program is supported through Lake County Community Development Block Grants.



A grand re-opening is a great way to showcase a new look to your existing company. What better way to give your company that new look, than through an opportunity like this.

Revitalize Painesville

The objective is to enhance the appearance of the historic properties, to preserve buildings, create safe street environments and re-establish pride in some of Painesville's oldest neighborhoods.

The Painesville Storefront Improvement Program is a key component to the revitalization of the county seat and the City of Painesville. The existing storefronts within the City's commercial districts need further investment to support the interests of small business owners and retail establishments.

This program is designed to support the exterior improvements and renovation of between 5 and 15 retail and commercial storefronts.

How to apply for up to \$10,000.00

The Storefront Improvement Program is managed and implemented through the City Manager's Office of Economic Development and Community Development Department. Call Cathy Bieterman at 440-392-5795 for more information and a formal application.

Eligibility >>>

The grant applicant must be a property owner or business owner, with property owners approval for proposed projects, the tenant must have at least three years remaining in their lease to qualify; Applications will be submitted to the **City of Painesville's Office of Economic Development, 7 Richmond Street, Painesville, OH 44077** for possible funding using funds from the 2015 allocated Community Development Block Grant program.

Projects Eligible >>>

Eligible projects will include painting of exterior building; exterior lighting and supporting electrical work, awnings, storefront signage infrastructure, exterior structural improvements, landscaping, re-pointing, window replacements. Repainting of buildings, exterior lighting and awnings are the highest priority. In addition, one of the guidelines will be to restore and maintain the architectural integrity of the building.

Requirements >>>

Upon application, the City will require each applicant to invest the minimum of 30% private investment through cash or low-interest loan into the store front or building renovations. The grant and leveraged funds must be used for purchase of materials and or other necessary items to fulfill the design requirements set by the Economic and Community Development Departments. Proof of the 30% investment is required.

Design Approval >>>

The applicant will be required to submit their concept plan to the City of Painesville Community Development Department. The department will determine that it meets all specifications of the Design Review District and will make recommendations and grant approval to the storefront improvement project. If there are any code enforcement violations or actions against the property or business, the applicant must verify that work undertaken in conjunction with the improvement plan will address any outstanding violations.



The Goal of this Grant Program >>>

The goal of the Storefront Improvement Program is to leverage public and private investments throughout the City's commercial district to enhance the image and ownership in all properties. It is also to encourage reinvestment in surrounding areas as a result of the initial project and investment in our key retail district.

Submit Your Grant Application >>>

- Step One: Contact the City of Painesville Office of Economic Development, Cathy Bieterman 440-392-5795 and request an application.
- Step Two: Complete the application and submit with the application a visual rendering or visual concept of the renovation program for which you are applying.
- Step Three: Submit your final application to Painesville City Hall, Economic Development Office, 7 Richmond Street, Painesville, OH 44077