

FORD CITY COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN GRANT PROGRAMS

The Ford City Community Improvement Plan (CIP) offers financial incentive programs to encourage projects that will enhance the Ford City neighborhood. Grants are aimed at the physical improvement of both commercial/ mixed-use, residential, and former industrial properties. The following programs are offered:

Municipal Development Fees Grant Program

A grant whereby eligible property owners will be eligible to receive a grant for 100% of the specified Municipal Development Fees, up to a maximum of \$50,000 per property.

New Residential Development Grant Program

A grant of \$2,500 for every new residential unit created, up to a maximum of \$50,000 per property. Projects on Infill Catalyst Sites are eligible for a grant increase of up to \$5,000 per unit, up to \$50,000. A minimum of two (2) new residential units must be created.

Building/Property Improvement Tax Increment Grant Program

An annual grant equal to 100% of the increase in municipal property taxes for ten (10) years, after the project is completed and reassessed.

Retail Investment Grant Program

A grant up to 50% of eligible costs for improvements to a maximum amount of \$15,000 per retail unit in a building, up to a maximum of \$30,000 per property.

Neighborhood Residential Rehabilitation Grant Program

A grant equal to 50% of the cost of eligible exterior building maintenance and property improvement works to residential properties. The minimum grant per property will be \$1,000, up to a maximum of \$15,000.

Building Facade Improvement Grant Program*

A grant equal to 50% of the costs of eligible building facade and storefront improvements to commercial and mixed use buildings up to a maximum of \$30,000 per project, with the possibility of an increase up to \$60,000 per project for larger buildings with multiple storefronts.

Please refer to the Ford City Community Improvement Plan (CIP) for complete program requirements and provisions. The Ford City CIP and application form for the grant programs can be found at https://www.citywindsor.ca/residents/planning/Plans-and-Community-Information/Major-Projects/Pages/Ford-City-CIP.aspx. If there is a discrepancy between this document and the Ford City CIP, the Ford City CIP takes precedence.

For more information or to apply for these programs, please contact Kevin Alexander, Planner III - Special Projects at (519) 255-6543 extension 6732 or via e-mail at kalexander@citywindsor.ca

^{*}The Building Facade Improvement Grant Program is from the existing Building Facade Improvement Program and Urban Design Guidelines for Main Streets CIP (January 2018) and applies to properties located within the Main Street Areas in seven Windsor BIAs, including the Ford City BIA that is located within the Ford City CIP Project Area. The Brownfield Redevelopment CIP and Economic Revitalization CIP and associated grant programs also apply to the Ford City CIP Project Area.