

Starkville Main Street Association Dr. Michael W. Fazio Façade Improvement Grant

The Starkville Main Street Association (SMSA) Façade Improvement Grant is designed to assist property owners and their tenants in enhancing and improving the physical appearance of their buildings to encourage further downtown revitalization. The grant opportunities will be administered by the SMSA. SMSA staff will assist applicants through the grant process; however, it is the applicant's responsibility to meet the requirements of the grant program. Applications will be considered in the order in which they are received, with ongoing deadlines for consideration during Fiscal Year 2021 (October 1, 2020-September 30, 2021).

Fiscal Year 2021 Grant Funding will be dedicated to promote the repair, replacement and updating of exterior paint, as well as other improvements as dictated below:

Exterior Paint Grant Parameters:

- The SMSA will provide a matching grant, which shall be reimbursable up to \$500 to apply to exterior paint, awnings, staining windows and doors, signage, or any other approved updates on commercial buildings in Downtown Starkville.
- Paint colors must be selected and approved based on paint guidelines and color pallets designed by Debra Shafer with advisement from the Historic Preservation Commission. (Please note that selected colors are not required for all buildings based on city code or HPC. Specified requirements only apply to those seeking grant funding from the SMSA.)
- All applicants must be an active, dues paying member of the Starkville Main Street Association.
- Projects must be completed within six months of the grant request and reimbursement will be paid as soon as projects are completed and no later than September 30, 2021.

Ineligible program expenditures:

- Projects and material not in compliance with SMSA and the City of Starkville design and planning guidelines.
- Projects and materials that would be used for the purpose of public art or murals.

The process for the Starkville Main Street Association Grant is as follows:

1. Property owner or tenant, with approval of the property owner, completes the Starkville Main Street Association Façade Grant application and submits it to Starkville Main Street Association (SMSA).
2. The SMSA Director will present the approved application to the Design Committee to determine the approval or denial of the grant application.
4. Upon approval by the SMSA Board of Directors, the grantee will proceed with the façade improvements.
5. Prior to the release of any grant funds, the applicant must submit to the SMSA copies of all invoices and receipts associated with the project. In addition, the project must be complete within six months of the application date.
6. Within thirty days of completion, SMSA will issue payment (up to \$500 or less if half of the total project) to the grantee.

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Application Form**

Property Address _____

Applicant Name _____

Phone _____ Applicant Email _____

Please submit a detailed outline of the proposed project. This will include:

1. Photographs, clearly showing existing conditions.
2. Diagram showing the proposed improvements.
3. Quote for exterior façade improvements.

Applicant Name _____ Date _____

Signature _____

Completed application and all required supporting documents should be submitted to:

Starkville Main Street Association

Greater Starkville Development Partnership

200 East Main Street

Starkville, MS 39759

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