

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.

The application deadline for Fiscal Year 2023 (October 1, 2022 - September 30, 2023) is
THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.

The project must be **completed** no later than Friday, September 30, 2023.

Fiscal Year 2023 Grant Funding will be dedicated to promoting the repair, replacement and updating of exterior facades, as well as other improvements as dictated below:

Facade Grant Parameters:

- The SMSA will provide a **matching grant**, which shall be reimbursable up to \$1,000.
- The grant may be applicable towards exterior paint, awnings, staining windows and doors, signage, public art or murals, or any other approved updates on commercial buildings in Downtown Starkville.
- Paint colors must be selected and approved based on paint guidelines and color palettes designed by Debra Shafer with advisement from the Historic Preservation Commission. The color palette may be found online on the grant application website. (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 nine months of the grant approval** and reimbursement will be paid as soon as projects are completed and no later than September 30, 2023.

Ineligible program expenditures:

- Projects and material not in compliance with SMSA and the City of Starkville design and planning guidelines.

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) by the January 5 deadline. This is a firm deadline, no exceptions.
2. Upon approval by the SMSA Board of Directors, the grantee will proceed with the façade improvements. Grantees will receive confirmation by January 13, 2023.
3. 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 completed prior to September 30, 2023.
4. Within thirty days of completion, SMSA will issue payment to the grantee.

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Application Form**

Property Address _____

Property Owner Signature _____

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, sketches, or renderings showing the proposed improvements.
3. Quote for exterior façade improvements.

Applicant Name _____ Date _____

Signature _____

Completed application and all required supporting documents should be submitted by
Thursday, January 5, 2023 by 5 p.m. to:

Starkville Main Street Association
Greater Starkville Development Partnership
200 East Main Street
Starkville, MS 39759
662.323.3322
mainstreet@starkville.org