



## Community Development

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**RE:** **\$50,000 Grant Opportunity** October 27, 2022  
Façade Improvement Grant

**Who:** Property Owner or tenants with permission of owner.

**What:** The CRA Façade Improvement Grant is a **matching reimbursement grant** for exterior site and façade improvements. Projects that are selected for the grant program will receive funding for fifty percent of the eligible and verified cost up to \$50,000.

**When:** The application period opens **October 1<sup>st</sup>** and closes **January 31<sup>st</sup>**. Applications received after January 31<sup>st</sup> may be considered depending on funding availability.

**Where:** Property located within the boundaries of the CRA are eligible to apply for the grant.

**Why:** The Lake Alfred Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) was established in 2015 to facilitate redevelopment activities and encourage private investment in the downtown area.

The Façade Improvement Grant Program seeks to partner with individuals, businesses, and the nonprofit community to promote investment in the CRA area and incentivizes them to renovate and update the exteriors of properties, by providing financial assistance. The goal of this program is to incentivize visible improvements that will improve site aesthetics thereby improving the marketability and value of existing businesses.

**How:**

- Complete the applications and provide the supporting documentation.
- Submit the documents to the Community Development Department at City Hall.
- Applications are reviewed and ranked then qualifying applications are submitted to the CRA Board for approval. Grant awards are subject to approval and funding availability.
- Once improvements are completed, the applicant may submit an itemized reimbursement request with all supporting documentation and copies of receipts for eligible improvements identified in the grant award.

Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions regarding the grant or eligibility, or if assistance is needed with the application.

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Enclosures:

- Grant Brochure
- Grant Application