2021 MAIN STREET GRANT PROGRAM

The Main Street Grant program was created to preserve and improve properties in the Main Street Historic District while increasing the district’s economic vitality.

Properties located in the Main Street Historic District that are at least 40 years old and designated Littleton historic landmarks used for commercial purposes are eligible to apply. Both owners of the property and tenants of the property can apply, with the owner’s consent.

$50,000 in grant funding is available in 2021. The program is competitive, with funds distributed among top projects.

Grants may be awarded for up to the following percentages of the overall cost of the project:

- Up to 25% for roof work and maintenance of mechanical systems
- Up to 50% for all other work
- A one-time grant of up to 80% for properties included in the district within 24 months of the application deadline

If the proposed grant project requires a certificate of historic appropriateness (COA), the COA must be approved prior to the approval of the grant.

APPLICATION SUBMITTAL

Application Deadline:
Friday, September 3, 2021 – 5 p.m.

Contact Andrea Mimnaugh at 303-795-3719 or amimnaugh@littletongov.org to schedule a pre-submittal meeting. City staff will work with you throughout the application process.

Applications are completed online:
1. Complete the application form on the City of Littleton website online at Main Street Historic District Grant Program
2. The following attachments are required:
   - A letter of intent that includes a detailed written description of the proposed work and a time frame for completion of the project
   - Photographs of the existing building noting the areas where work will be completed
   - Historic photographs of the building, including the section where work will be completed - if available
   - The proposed budget
   - Three contractor bids - if three bids are not included, provide explanation in the letter of intent.

Visit the city’s website at littletongov.org for all information on the Main Street Grant Program.

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Funding may be available for your preservation project

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City of Littleton
2255 West Berry Avenue
Littleton, Colorado 80120
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WHAT PROJECTS ARE ELIGIBLE?

- Professional architectural design services
- Facade work, meaning any work to a facade, including screening of roof-top mechanical equipment
- Enlargements where required to comply with building and safety codes
- Maintenance, including restorative painting, repair/replacement of deteriorating materials and mechanical systems and mechanical and electrical, if safety concerns exist
- Roofing
- New signage, except for internally lit signs
- Graffiti removal
- Retroactive project funding for above-listed projects that have been issued a building permit within the last 12 months

WHAT PROJECTS ARE INELIGIBLE?

- Routine or periodic maintenance
- Soft costs, such as acquisition, accounting, appraisals, bids, engineering, legal and building permits
- Site work, including excavation, grading, paving and landscaping
- Repairs to recent additions, constructed after the property was officially designated
- Owner/self-labor reimbursement
- Skylights
- Solar equipment
- Security equipment
- Maintenance of equipment and devices unrelated to mechanical systems of the structure

CONSIDERATIONS FOR APPROVAL

Projects do not need to meet all considerations for approval. All projects are required to go through the appropriate city planning review and building permitting process.

- Project will have a significant positive visual impact on the historic character of the district.
- Project is located on a street-facing facade of the building.
- Project includes restoration of architectural details and materials on a historic building facade.
- Project will provide permanent, rather than removable, elements. Examples of removable elements include signs, canopies, and fixtures.
- Project includes architectural design assistance.
- Property has not previously received grant funding or the project is part of an ongoing, phased, set of improvements.
- The health, safety and welfare of the community.
- The board will give negative consideration to any applicant who previously received funding and did not complete the project within the approved time frame for project completion. Applicants in these cases will be asked to assure the board that the proposed project will be completed during the allotted time frame.