

TRANSFORMING HOMES. STRENGTHENING NEIGHBORHOODS.

The **City of Youngstown Residential Façade Program** is designed to help qualifying single-family, owner-occupied homeowners enhance and modernize the exterior of their homes. Through financial assistance and a grant match opportunity, the program supports improvements that boost curb appeal, correct code violations, and protect long-term property value.

By investing in residential exteriors, the City of Youngstown is strengthening neighborhoods, stabilizing home values, and fostering communities that reflect pride of ownership.

ELIGIBLE IMPROVEMENTS

Funding may be used for exterior upgrades and repairs, including:

- Exterior house painting
- Installation or replacement of shutters and awnings
- Window replacement
- Sidewalk and driveway replacement
- Siding replacement
- Step repair or replacement
- Garage repairs
- Exterior lighting
- Roof repair or replacement, including remediation of structural or interior damage related to roof failure

Please note: Landscaping and tree removal are not eligible under this program.

FAÇADE GRANT MATCH PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Property Eligibility

- Must be located within the city limits of Youngstown, Ohio
- Must be owner-occupied for at least one (1) year prior to application
- Vacation homes, rental properties, and second homes are not eligible
- Property must be habitable and not listed for abandonment, demolition, or condemnation, and not in foreclosure or active sale

Applicant Requirements

- Must be at least eighteen (18) years of age
- Must own and reside in the subject property within the City of Youngstown
- Must meet all program eligibility requirements, including membership eligibility with **7 17 Credit Union**
- Must not be in bankruptcy, foreclosure, or the process of selling the property
- All property owners must sign required documentation
- Property must be insured (proof of policy required)
- Must be current on mortgage payments, property taxes, and utilities

IMPROVEMENT PROJECT GUIDELINES

- A detailed contractor estimate is required
- Any existing City code violations must be addressed as part of the project, where applicable
- All proposed improvements must be reviewed and approved by the City prior to grant approval
- Written program approval must be received before any work begins. Work completed prior to approval will not be reimbursed
- All work must be performed by a licensed and insured contractor registered with the City of Youngstown

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Grant and matching funds will be issued as co-payable checks to both the homeowner and contractor:

- 50% upon loan/grant approval
- 50% upon project completion and final property inspection

GRANT MATCH TERMS

Maximum grant match award: \$20,000 per single-family property

City Matching Funds—Up to 50%

The City will match up to 50% of eligible project costs

The required homeowner match may be satisfied through

- Using personal or private funds, or
- Financing your portion through a **low-interest subordinate match loan** (1% fixed, 5-year term)

All matching funds, including loan proceeds if applicable, must be deposited with or verified by 7 17 Credit Union prior to final grant approval.

Additional terms:

- There is not an application fee associated with this program
- Homeowners must remain in the property for five (5) years after project completion
- A five-year lien will be placed on the property
- If the homeowner does not fulfill the five-year residency requirement, the grant funds are subject to immediate repayment

How to Apply
To begin the application process, please contact:

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