


Corning's
GAFFER DISTRICT



2010 SPECIAL ROUND FAÇADE GRANT
PROGRAM GUIDELINES

I. GENERAL

The 2010 Special Round Facade Incentive Grant Program provides financial assistance for improvement projects on building facades located within the Gaffer District's borders. The standard for design can be found in the City of Corning Design Guidelines, which is based on the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation of Historic Buildings. The intent of the grant program is to encourage appropriate revitalization to as many private properties within the District as possible. The property owner agrees to maintain the property for a minimum of five years after completing the work on the building.

II. ELIGIBLE PROPERTIES

Structures located within Corning's Gaffer District's borders are eligible to apply for grant funding. The legal owner of the property must provide permission for the work and must agree to the maintenance of the property regarding the grant-assisted work.

III. ELIGIBLE WORK

Paint; window repair; repair/replacement of existing awnings; visual improvements; repointing and cornice repair on the front, rear, or side (of corner buildings). These eligible tasks may be undertaken on the first or upper floors of the building exterior.

EXCLUSIONS: Signs, window washing, day-to-day maintenance and window treatments.

IV. GUIDELINES

- A. Approval of proposed façade improvements is a prerequisite for any façade grant applicant. Free design services are available through the Gaffer District's Preservation and Design Staff.
- B. There is no carry-over of funding of reimbursable projects from one calendar year to the next. All projects will need to be completed within the year 2010.
- C. Proof of payment must be submitted to the attention of Kristen Stewart, Director of Preservation and Design, with a copy of the contractor's invoice to receive payment. A listed check # or signed and dated invoice showing "paid" is acceptable as proof of payment.
- D. Projects must be completed within 120 days from approval date, and no later than December 31, 2010, (end of calendar year). Failure to complete projects within 4 months of approval date will result in loss of approved funds.
- E. There is no reimbursement for projects started before receiving approval for grant funding.
- F. The amount of the grant for approved projects is 50% of the project total with a maximum amount of funding not to exceed \$2,000 per façade, subject to funding availability.

V. CONTACT

Kristen Stewart, Director of Preservation and Design, 937-6292 x107



**2010 SPECIAL ROUND
FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT GRANT APPLICATION**

Name: _____

Business: _____

Gaffer District Address: _____

Home Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Cell: _____

E-mail: _____

Have you received a grant from Corning's Gaffer District or MSRA since 2005: yes no

Project Description: _____

Estimated Project Cost: _____

Attach copies of contractors estimate(s) (may be submitted at a later date if not known at this time).

In order for this grant to be approved, the proposed work must be approved by MSRA prior to, and following implementation to make sure that the work meets MSRA's objectives, technical specifications and appropriateness to Market Street (this includes color selection, mortar specifications and window repair/replacement).