



Façade and Elevation Improvement Grant

- Purpose:** To encourage aesthetic improvements and the preservation of historic buildings by offering financial incentives to maintain, repair and improve the physical appearance of the exterior of buildings in Corning's Gaffer District.
- Eligibility:** All businesses and property owners within the boundaries of Corning's Gaffer District, otherwise known as the BID, are eligible façade improvements.
- Amounts:** A matching grant of between \$250.00 and \$500.00 for exterior improvements is available to all businesses and property owners Applications considered in the order in which they are received. Grants limited to the fiscal year's budgeted and available funds (fiscal year June 30-July 1). When budgeted funds are fully depleted, further grant requests will be funded from the next fiscal year budget. Proof of payment must be submitted to the attention of Kristen Brewer, 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.
- Stipulations:** The work for all eligible projects must be reviewed by Corning's Gaffer District prior to commencement of work for grant approval. Free design services and technical assistance are available to interested business and building owners.
- Eligible** Paint; window repair; repair/replacement of existing awnings, power washing, etc.
- Work:** 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.
- Timeline:** Submit scope of work with Corning's Gaffer District at least two weeks prior to commencement of work. Projects must be submitted and completed in the same fiscal year.
- Contact:** Kristen Brewer, Director of Preservation and Design, with questions; 937-6292 x107