



# **Partnership Grants In Town Revitalization**

**(up to \$2,000)**

## **An Economic Development Committee Initiative**

**The purpose of this Grant is to assist small business (less than 3000 square feet with the cost of revitalizing the semi-public space (property line to front building facade) where significant visual change in a building or property is proposed to enhance the district environment.**

### **Terms and Conditions**

- Replacement of property elements with new and different materials. This change must be complimentary to the existing character of the surrounding business district and shall demonstrate a positive, noticeable change in appearance.
- Replacement or repair with like materials is generally not applicable, unless it can be agreed that the repair will eliminate the appearance of a blighted property.
- Elements applicable for the grant program shall include, but not limited to the following types of Improvements:
  - signs, lights, decorative banners, benches, site hardscape elements such as brick pavers or stone monuments, doors, shutters, new awnings, and permanent landscape treatments.
- The grant may be made to match up to 50% of the cost of the improvement to a maximum of \$2,000 per site

### **Application Procedure**

- The applicant shall complete the grant request form and attach any drawings, concepts or material pertinent to the application.
- The applicant period shall be June 1, 2010 through August 31, 2010.
- The EDC shall make a motion to approve or deny the grant, and may impose any conditions necessary to ensure the intended outcome.
- Staff shall review three quotations for each work item and request, and if the request is approved by the Committee, shall issue a letter of intent to pay the chosen contractor direct for services rendered. In the case of landowner or business owner labor involvement, only material costs shall be included for coverage.
- The EDC shall render decisions by September 7th (for residual funds) in order to determine the merits and priorities of a greater number of applications.
- Grants are determined on merit, not by order received. The program is valid while funding is available. Funds must be spent in the calendar year of approval.
- Previous winners of the Town Revitalization Partnership Grant in 2009 are not eligible to apply, but will be eligible to reapply next year if program is offered in 2011.

**Call Matt or Tia at 267-536-1002 for details or application or visit [www.abingtontownship.us](http://www.abingtontownship.us)**