

Business Enhancement Grant Program

Program Summary

The City of Wilton Manors will award a grant of up to 50% of the improvement costs to the exterior of a business site up to a maximum of \$1,000.00. These funds will help encourage private investment in the visual improvement of storefronts and signs of commercial businesses in the following commercial corridors (see attached map):

- Andrews Avenue (B-2 Zoning only)
- Dixie Highway (TOC-N and TOC-S)

Although the cost of such improvements may exceed the amount in the grant, this is meant to act as a catalyst to improve buildings in our business community. The grant award will be released when the project is completed and copies of all paid statements are submitted. The program is designed in away to encourage participation and be expeditious.

Objectives:

- Encourage private investment in the improvement of storefronts, sign, and awnings.
- Enhance the appearance of the streetscape.
- Reduce vacancies in storefronts.
- Provide an incentive to improve buildings, signs and awnings.

Eligible Projects:

- Signage
- Exterior paint
- Lighting
- Awnings

Eligibility:

- Eligible projects must be completed by the end of the city's fiscal year. (Sept. 30)
- All projects must conform to all applicable Codes and Ordinances.
- Improvements made that are given a grant become a part of the building's exterior and become a part of the building.
- Applicants for the grant must have no outstanding fees, taxes, fines, or liens to

the City of Wilton Manors.

- Grant application must be submitted by a building owner or tenant with approval of the building owner.
- Each applicant may be awarded only one grant.
- New building construction is not eligible for the grant program.
- Application and approval prior to work commencing
- At completion, 50% of the approved expenses up to \$1,000 will be reimbursed by the City.

Award of Grant:

The Community Development Services Department will authorize payment of the grant after all inspections have been completed and a Certificate of Completion has been authorized, where applicable.

The application deadline for the grant program is May 30, 2013.