

SAVANNAH DEVELOPMENT AND RENEWAL AUTHORITY

APPLICATION FOR FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM

Contact Information

Name		
Mailing Address		
City	St	Zip
Phone	Email	
Tax ID or SSN		
Business Name		
Property Address		
City	St	Zip

Property Ownership Status

Sole Ownership Corporation, Partnership, or Trust Renter

Terms and Conditions

All façade grant applications will require the following information:

1. Detailed plans for the proposed improvements
2. The names, addresses, and phone numbers of all officers or trustees; and articles of incorporation, by-laws, and/or partnership agreement if applicant represents a corporation, partnership, or trust
3. Written consent from the property owner and copy of the current lease if applicant is a tenant

All documents should be sent via email to katherinew@sdra.net or by mail to SDRA's office at 2203 Abercorn Street, Savannah GA 31401.

Application Process

1. Following submission of this form, the applicant must secure approval of the proposed improvement(s) from the Visual Compatibility Officer and/or the Historic Review Board.
2. The grant application is reviewed by SDRA. Once approved, SDRA and the recipient sign a grant agreement stating the terms of the grant and obligations of SDRA and the recipient.
3. Grant funds are released following completion of the project and submission of sufficient proof of funds expended.
4. All work must be completed within ninety (90) days of signing the agreement. In the event that the work is not completed in this time, the applicant may request an additional sixty (60) days to complete the work. SDRA reserves the right to accept or deny extension requests, and may require additional assurances of completion following an extension.

Funds Request

Please review the following guidelines and select the intended use of funds. The following improvements are not eligible in association with the façade grant:

- Internal, electrical, HVAC, or roof repairs and improvements
- Property acquisition
- Working capital
- Regular maintenance
- Repairs or improvements completed or in progress prior to notification of approval

Proposed Improvement(s)

select all that apply

- Removing aluminum or non-historic siding
- Repairing, restoring, or replacing cornices, windows, or original storefront features
- Re-pointing brick and masonry
- Repainting brick and masonry, exterior window frames, and other features
- Adding historically compatible materials or features
- Installing appropriate awnings and signing
- Installing or improving guttering and downspout systems in conjunction with façade improvements made to the building

Grant Amount Requested _____ (cannot exceed \$2,000)

SDRA complies with all relevant requirements of federal laws and regulations dealing with non-discrimination and equal opportunity in federally assisted programs.

Authorization and Release

I, _____, certify that the information presented in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

I authorize Savannah Development and Renewal Authority (SDRA) or its agent to check with financial institutions and other companies or organizations necessary to establish my character and credit rating.

I understand that this is a matching grant program requiring contribution to the project. I further understand that this is a reimbursement program, requiring appropriate documentation upon completion of project for reimbursement.

I understand that the proceeds from any grant funds may be used only for façade renovation projects. Any façade project must meet the design criteria established by SDRA.

I understand that SDRA shall conduct a design review for each façade improvement project. SDRA must approve any façade improvement prior to its presentation to the Historic District Board of Review or approval by the Visual Compatibility Officer.

I understand that, in addition to this application, I must also seek and receive approval of my façade improvement project from the Historic District Board of Review or Visual Compatibility Officer.

I understand that no construction activity may begin until SDRA provides authorization to proceed. I further understand that I am responsible for obtaining all appropriate City permits and approvals necessary to this project.

Signature _____ Date _____