



Township of Sioux Narrows-Nestor Falls

Community Improvement Plan Application

PURPOSE:

To encourage the rehabilitation and improvement of private lands and to coordinate public and private works in a manner that will make the most efficient use of public infrastructure.

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAMS

Planning and Design:

A one-time grant of 50% to a maximum of \$500 will be available toward the cost of the preparation of architectural plans for building façade improvements. The grant will be conditional on the architectural plans being approved by the Township to ensure that the guidelines outlined in the Community Improvement Plan Background Report are implemented.

In addition, a one-time grant of 50% to a maximum of \$500 will be available toward the cost of the preparation of a site plan suitable for approval by the Township in accordance with the Property Standards, Sign By-law, Design Guidelines and regular site plan requirements.

These grants would be paid at 50% (to a maximum of \$250 each) upon design completion and the remaining 50% after implementation.

Building Façade Improvements

Primary Grant

The Township will provide a one-time grant of 50% (to a maximum of \$2,500) of the costs to assist commercial building owners to improve a building façade in accordance with Community Improvement Plan Background Report. Grants for buildings in excess of two stories would be structured to provide additional funding at a rate of \$1,000 per additional storey, once the grant exceeds the maximum \$2,500. The grant would include building materials, labour and professional fees.

Secondary Grant

Improvements to each exterior side and rear of buildings, where the building fronts onto a street will be eligible for a grant provided at 50% (up to \$1,000) of the costs per exterior building face. Where buildings exceed two stories, the grant may be increased by an additional \$1,000 per storey.

Grants would be paid upon completion of the work.

Improved Signage

A grant of 50% (up to \$2,000) will be available toward the cost of removing a derelict sign, or replacing an existing sign that is in a poor state of repair. Grants would be paid upon completion and installation of the sign.

Landscaping and Property Improvement

A grant of 50 per cent (up to a maximum of \$2,500) of the costs will be available for improving parking and amenity spaces in the Community Improvement Area, according to the provisions of the Community Improvement Plan. The grant will be payable upon completion of the work.

ASSOCIATED ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Application Fees

Where a property owner or business is undertaking improvements to lands and buildings in accordance with the program guidelines, the Township will provide a grant equivalent to the cost of the normal application fees for approved projects in accordance with the provisions of Section 69 of the Planning act and the Township's Tariff of fees by-law:

- Site Plan Approval
- Rezoning
- Minor Variance
- Building Permit

The applicant will be responsible for all mapping and registration costs for agreements where applicable.

GRANT ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

1. Council shall review applications for financial incentives. The Township shall review all applications based on these eligibility requirements and the degree to which the project implements the Township's Official Plan, and Community Improvement Plan.
2. No improvements carried out prior to the approval of the application will be eligible for funding. Only pre-approved projects will be eligible for grants.
3. Grants would be available to a property owner or business owner occupying an assessed building in the Community Improvement Area upon satisfactory completion of the project. Assistance granted under any of the financial incentive programs to a particular property is not transferable to any other property.
4. Building façade grants will be granted based on a primary grant for the building façade that forms the primary entrance to the building, and a secondary grant for a building side that faces the public street.

Where a building has more than two building faces abutting a street, the Township may consider a further secondary grant based on funding availability.

Building Façade grants will only be provided with the approval of the building owner.

5. The building owner or business owner and the Township may be required to enter into an agreement specifying the amount to be paid and the payment period. Where the agreement is between a business owner and the Township, the building owner must consent to the agreement.
6. Properties and buildings shall not have any tax arrears, outstanding utility charges or any other legal claim, lien or order that may affect the title of the land.
7. The grant programs outlined may be combined in a manner that will permit more than one grant per property. Where this is done, the total grant amount shall be based on the amounts listed, however, the expenditure on each element of the grant shall be flexible, subject to the approval of the Township.
8. Grants will be available to business or property owners on the basis of one grant or combined grant (for example Planning and Design, Improved Signage and Façade Improvement) per assessed building.
9. Façade Improvement grants will generally only be available for entire building faces. Partial improvements to a portion of a building face may not be eligible. However, one façade may be improved on buildings that have side or rear facades that are also eligible for grants.
10. The owner may be required to register a site plan agreement on the title of the lands guaranteeing all of the improvements where grants have been provided.
11. The total of the grants and loans made in respect of particular lands and buildings under this Community Improvement Plan as defined in section 365.1 of the Municipal Act, 2001 that is provided in respect of the lands and building in this CIP shall not exceed the cost of rehabilitating the lands and buildings.

NOTE: The approval committee may stipulate that a holdback amount of 10% of the total grant amount payable be applied to the approval of the application.



Grant Application

Community Improvement Plan

PLEASE PRINT

NAME OF PROPERTY OWNER(S):	PHONE: ()
PROPERTY ADDRESS:	
APPLICANT NAME:	PHONE: ()
	FAX: ()
ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:	

IF YOU ARE NOT THE PROPERTY OWNER, HAS THE OWNER SIGNED THIS FORM TO AUTHORIZE YOU TO MAKE THIS APPLICATION?

YES ☐ NO ☐

ARE THERE ANY OUTSTANDING WORK ORDERS ON THIS PROPERTY?

Fire Prevention	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Property Standards	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Building Code	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
By-Law Enforcement	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Other	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>

ATTACH COPIES OF EXISTING WORK ORDERS TO THIS APPLICATION IF AVAILABLE

ARE THE BUILDING AND PROPERTY FREE OF TAX ARREARS, OUTSTANDING UTILITY CHARGES OR ANY OTHER LEGAL CLAIM?

YES ☐ NO ☐

IS THE MOST CURRENT TAX RECEIPT ATTACHED? YES ☐ NO ☐

PLEASE INDICATE WHICH PROGRAM(S) YOU ARE APPLYING FOR:

- ☐ Planning and Design
- ☐ Building Façade Improvements
- ☐ Signage Replacement
- ☐ Landscaping and Property Improvement

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS:

PLEASE PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION OF YOUR PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS:

PLEASE ATTACH ANY DRAWINGS, MEASUREMENTS OR OTHER DETAILS IF AVAILABLE

While original drawings/plans may vary in size, one copy of the drawings should be provided on 11x17 inches paper, with all notations and legends clearly visible. Additionally, the Township appreciates the information in digital format, if available.

COST ESTIMATES:

Please attach at least one (1) written estimate from qualified contractors/suppliers. If providing more than one estimate, please indicate your preferred estimate (the lowest estimate does not necessarily have to be selected).

PERMITS:

Work to be completed through this application cannot be started until written approval for the requested funding assistance is received from the Township of Sioux Narrows-Nestor Falls. All required permits must be obtained prior to the initiation of the proposed works.

CONFIDENTIALITY:

All information included in this application will be kept strictly confidential under the Municipal Freedom of Information Act.

The applicant consents to the use of his or her name and the name and address of their business in connection with any program funding announcements.

I/We hereby apply for a grant under the Township of Sioux Narrows-Nestor Falls Community Improvement Plan.

I/We agree to abide by the conditions of the program(s) and certify that the information give herein is true, correct and complete in every respect and may be verified by the municipality.

Name of Applicant

Note: If you are not the property owner, you must include the property owner's signature below.

Relationship to Property (i.e., property owner, tenant)

Applicant Signature

Date

Name of Property Owner

Signature of Property Owner

Date