

REVIVE

RESIDENTIAL VIBRANCY INITIATIVE



The Town of Bennett, through the Bennett Residential Vibrancy Initiative (REVIVE), may provide a grant of up to 90% of the costs of a qualifying project (excluding sales tax and town permit fees) in an amount up to \$2,500 per residence, per year. The purpose of the program is to assist eligible property owners and tenants in upgrading their property/building facades to help create and maintain a charming, safe, code compliant and welcoming neighborhood in Bennett, Colorado.

This is a grant program that is administered on a first-come, first-served basis and is subject to annual Town funding. In order for a project to qualify for reimbursement, **the project must receive grant approval from the Town prior to beginning construction.** Approved residential recipients will be required to provide paid invoices of the completed project, which shall be subject to verification and approval, prior to receiving grant funds and shall meet all Town code requirements. This program does not reimburse sales tax or Town permit and application fees.

The intent of REVIVE is to provide property owners with a monetary support to improve and upgrade the front exterior of their homes, or the backyard, if it abuts open space, which will also improve the aesthetic environment of Bennett, meet code compliance and enhance the neighborhood and the community as a whole.

Qualifications & Grant Criteria

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- The residence must be located within the Town limits of Bennett.
- Property improvements apply to exterior improvements only.
- If the property owner or tenant are making the improvements themselves and not hiring a contractor, then only the cost of materials (less sales tax or permit fees) will be considered for reimbursement.
- Applicants must receive all required approvals and permits through the Town of Bennett. Approval processes and permitting may run concurrently with the REVIVE application, however all approvals and permits must be obtained for final REVIVE approval and reimbursement.
- Projects must commence within 60 days from the REVIVE approval date and be completed by the end of each calendar year.
- Town employees are not eligible for this grant.
- One application per year per property is allowed.

Eligibility

Types of exterior upgrade improvements which are **eligible** for the reimbursement grant are:

- Painting of home exterior
- Restoration and cleaning of masonry, including brick, stone and concrete. (Power washing is discouraged as a method to clean brick on any building receiving grant funding.)
- Replace or upgrade exterior siding

- Removal of inappropriate facade materials.
- Replace or upgrade fencing
- Roof repair
- Replacement of deteriorated doors
- Replacement of deteriorated windows
- Exterior lighting - shall be down cast and conform to the Town of Bennett Municipal Code
- Front yard Water-wise Landscaping
- Tree-trimming
- Replacement or enhancement of sidewalks or hardscape

Ineligible improvements include, but are not limited to, improvements that:

- Were started or completed prior to applying for the Facade Program.
- Are not made directly to a facade, such as outdoor furniture, planters, play equipment, etc.
- Are not found to be complementary to surrounding buildings and neighborhood character or the original character of the building.
- Improvements or installation of backyard landscaping, patio or porch if not abutting an open space area.
- Replacement of sod or grass in any portion of the yard.
- Any submitted improvement deemed inappropriate by Town Staff.

Submittal Requirements

Completed REVIVE application must include the following documentation:

- Proof of property ownership or owner consent letter, if applicable.
- The applicant must submit estimated project budget, this can be obtained with a written bid or estimated cost to purchase supplies.
- Photos and current condition of property with description of desired improvement.

The improvements must obtain all appropriate Town approvals (e.g. building permit), be consistent with the REVIVE intent and guidelines, and are subject to all applicable Town ordinances and standards. Requests for REVIVE funding may run concurrently with other required Town permits.

The REVIVE is a grant that requires the recipient invest in at least 10% towards the improvement efforts. The Town's reimbursement will not exceed \$2,500 per residence.

The REVIVE is subject to funding availability and annual appropriation from the Town of Bennett Board of Trustees. Funding is determined on a first come, first served basis. Applicants are to designate one person who will be the applicant's contact person for this project. A REVIVE applicant may be required to execute an agreement with the Town outlining among other things, the terms and conditions of reimbursement of such improvements.

Step #1: Applicant Information

Name of the Applicant: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Submittal Date: _____

[] I am the property owner

[] I am a tenant

If you are not the property owner, please provide the following contact information:

Property Owner: _____

Property Owner Address: _____

City, State & Zip: _____

Property Owner Phone: _____

Property Owner Email: _____

Step #2: Describe the Proposed Improvement

Describe the proposed project, why it is needed and how it will improve and enhance your residence. Please attach photos of current conditions and to illustrate planned improvements:

Scope of the proposed project – How will funding be used? List materials, services or contract bids received.

Total Estimated Costs of Improvements: _____

Requested Amount for Reimbursement: _____

(Excluding sales tax and permit fees, \$2,500 max)

Is the 10% required matching funds for the project secured? Will matching funds be lost if the grant is not awarded?

Estimated Start Date of Improvements: _____

Estimated Completion Date of Improvements: _____

Step #3: Submittal Instructions

Complete entire application carefully and accurately and return by:

Hand-Delivery. Hand-delivery of REVIVE Program Applications (either electronic or hard-copy) must be delivered during business hours (Monday – Thursday from 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM, excluding holidays). Hand-delivered Applications should be labeled to the attention of:

Community Services Department

Town of Bennett

207 Muegge Way

Bennett, CO 80102

Email. REVIVE Program Applications may be emailed to communityservices@bennett.co.us Please enter "REVIVE Program Application" in the subject line of the email.

U.S. Mail. REVIVE Program Applications may be mailed to:

Bennett REVIVE Grant

Attention: Keith Buono, LCSO

Town of Bennett

207 Muegge Way

Bennett, CO 80102

By signing below, the Landlord/Property Owner of record (applicant) understands and agrees to the following:

1. Authorized personnel of the Town of Bennett are hereby granted the right to enter the subject property for the purpose of reviewing and processing the application.
2. All information contained in this application, the attached exhibits and other materials submitted in connection with this application are true and accurate to the best of the applicant's knowledge. Applicant understands and agrees that false or untruthful information may be grounds for the Town to stop processing this application or to withdraw any approval previously obtained based in whole or in part on such false or untruthful statements.
3. The Town is under no obligation to approve the request contained in the application. No promises of approval are conveyed with the acceptance of this application.

Signature_____

Print Name_____ Date_____