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# CHAMPAIGN COUNTY PRESERVATION ALLIANCE

Urbana, Ohio 43078

## Commercial Façade Matching Grant Program GUIDELINES FOR 2021

*The Champaign County Preservation Alliance is a private, not-for-profit organization created to encourage and promote historic preservation in Champaign County. We encourage the conservation, restoration, and protection of the county's unique historical places and structures. We offer public programs that promote historic preservation and creative reuse of existing places and structures.*

### ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Champaign County Preservation Alliance (CCPA) intends to make two matching grants for commercial structure preservation work in Champaign County, Ohio. These grants will include one matching grant of up to \$1000.00 for cosmetic improvement to a structure such as painting, tuck pointing, etc. and one matching grant of up to \$1000.00 for structural changes, or major improvements made to a building's façade. The grants are to be awarded not later than June 30, 2021.

### COMMERCIAL CRITERIA:

1. Grants are to be awarded to property owners for the exterior preservation of historic (erected prior to 1940) commercial buildings in Champaign Co., Ohio.
2. All improvements must be clearly visible from a street elevation of the property.
3. Projects must include restoration to original or period condition using existing or approved replications. Exterior improvements should preserve the original building design and be sympathetic to the architectural character of the neighborhood.
  - Eligible improvements may include: removing false fronts (such as aluminum panels); restoring architectural details; replacing deteriorated or inefficient windows with wooden copies; cleaning and re-pointing brick; painting; removing or repairing awnings; replacing or upgrading porches; repair or replacing gutter and downspout; replacing lighting.
  - "Façade" does NOT include signage, landscaping, interior repairs, or improvements not visible from the street elevation of the property.
4. Awards will be based on the impact of the improvements to the neighborhood and local area.
5. Photos of façade and estimates reflecting expected costs for the restoration shall be submitted with the application.
6. Paid receipts for labor performed and supplies purchased must be presented to the CCPA and approved prior to release and payment of the matching grant moneys. *Example: To receive the release and payment of a CCPA matching grant of \$1000.00, the grantee must provide paid receipts amounting at least \$2000.00.*
7. Grant eligible work must be completed by December 31, 2022.

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING** grant applications is May 31, 2021. Applications are to be submitted in "paper copy" to: **CCPA, P.O. Box 748, Urbana, Ohio 43078.**

Additional questions, contact - Robert Pollock, 937-508-4984

*CCPA Board Members and their immediate families are not eligible to participate in this program.*

*The Decision of the Façade Grant Committee is final*