



Oregon Main Street Revitalization Grant

Money for Main Street!

The State of Oregon Legislature recently established the Oregon Main Street Revitalization Grant Program to support downtown revitalization efforts in communities participating in the Oregon Main Street Network. Funds will be available in the spring of 2017 but it is never too early to begin thinking about projects that are good matches for the grant!

Use Grant Funds to:

- **Acquire** property, **rehabilitate** buildings and **construct** new compatible infill in designated downtown areas statewide.
- Facilitate community revitalization that will lead to **private investment, job creation** or retention, establishing or expanding **viable businesses**, and creating a **stronger tax base**.

First Steps

1. The designated local Oregon Main Street Network must be the applicant on behalf of property owners. If you do not know the contact for your local Main Street, contact Sheri Stuart, 503.986.0679, sheri.stuart@oregon.gov.
2. Communicate this opportunity at the next Main Street board meeting and discuss whether or not you are ready to apply.
3. Use this worksheet to start preparing for the grant.
- ★ 4. **Save the date for the Oregon Main Street Building Revitalization Workshop September 15-16, 2016, in Astoria!**



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1. List the top buildings that need rehabilitation or identify properties for potential infill. What type of use would these buildings fit?

For example: second floor housing, retail, community or government space.

What type of technical assistance would be required to help rehabilitate these buildings or what compatible infill could be built on the property?

| Building/Property Location | Property Owner and Contact Info | Type of Use | Technical Assistance needed to rehabilitate this building or construct compatible infill |
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2. Discuss how these projects fit the vision of your Main Street? *For example: is your downtown a mecca of bustling historic arts, music and food? Is this a project that could support that vision?*

Key elements of your Main Street Vision:

- _____
- _____
- _____
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How do these projects support that vision? _____



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3. Begin thinking about your project team which should include partner organizations, city personnel and/or officials, property owners, construction managers, design professionals, etc.

Potential Team Members

| Name | Team Role | Contact Info. |
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4. Research and Identify potential local and state funding sources to assist with matching funds requirements.

Sources may include but are not limited to:

- City, county and/or state grants or incentives
- Urban renewal funds
- Brownfields funds
- Energy Trust or local power company
- Oregon Cultural Trust grants
- Travel Oregon grants
- Kinsman Foundation grants
- Ford Family Foundation grants
- Community fundraising
- Local business contributions

Don't forget about Oregon Main Street Resources!

- Design assistance opportunities
 - Goal setting assistance
- Future grant preparation workshops

Contact Sheri Stuart, Oregon Main Street Coordinator, to schedule technical assistance or if you have any questions about potential projects.

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