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Downtown Revitalization Grant
APPLICATION

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OVERVIEW & OBJECTIVES



The Conway Downtown Partnership Downtown Revitalization (DTR) Grant is offered by the Conway Downtown Partnership, through a grant made possible by Main Street Arkansas and the Arkansas Department of Heritage.

This program is offered to downtown business and property owners who desire to make improvements to their buildings and preserve the historical and architectural value of these downtown structures. The goal of the grants is to promote revitalization and offer technical and financial assistance to assure our historic buildings, landmarks and district are preserved, maintained, and rehabilitated properly. Historic preservation is about maintaining a mindset that purposes to preserve or restore those architectural elements that help tell our community's story for many future generations to come.

The DTR program has been designed to encourage architecturally appropriate improvements to commercial buildings. The intent is to provide a better design through preservation and use of higher quality products. The goal is to promote the attraction and retention of business operations and enhance the interest in visiting the downtown area.

Crowded sidewalks indicate healthy economic activity and a safe environment for people to visit and enjoy. Property owners and business owners who utilize the grant program are investing in the downtown area and over time that will foster other owners to undertake improvements.

ELIGIBILITY & FUNDING

Any property owner, or occupant of the property with written consent of the property owner to participate in the program, proposing a building redevelopment on a taxable building within a designated geographical area known as the Conway Commercial Historic District (see Appendix A) with 50% or more of its floor space devoted to a commercial use. Property insurance, real estate taxes and City service accounts must be current at the time of application for funding. As well as current partnership in the Conway Downtown Partnership.

During the 2026-27 DTR Grant process, the CDP will award up to $15,000 in grants. Grant award amounts shall range from **$1,500 to $7,500**, depending on the total amount requested for eligible projects. This is a reimbursement grant and will be awarded on receipt of completed project documents **(paid receipts/invoices...)**.

NOTE: An emphasis will be placed on projects that have higher impact to downtown like facade improvements: awnings, exterior paint, masonry, & lighting.



ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURES



1. Awnings appropriate for the façade improvement and architecture.
2. Exterior painting consistent with other downtown buildings in color and tone.
3. Sign removal, replacement or repair must be compatible with other buildings on the block and conform to City of Conway standards.
4. Exterior masonry repair
5. Repair to exterior facades (front, rear & side facades are eligible)
6. Murals
7. Installation, repair or replacement to cornices, doors, windows, decorative detail, awnings, window display lighting.
8. Exterior lighting
9. Landscaping features (e.g., window boxes or planters)
10. Removal of barriers to access for people with disabilities

Projects are not limited to these expenditures, so if you have a project that you would like to apply for do not hesitate to complete the application.

Application Requirements

1. Detailed description of project, including scope of work, cost estimate(s), rendering(s), proposed material(s), etc.
2. Evidence of ownership or owner's permission
3. Current Conway Downtown Partnership member

Note: Incomplete applications will not be considered

Reimbursement Requirements

To receive your grant reimbursement you must present the following to the CDP:

a. Current Conway Downtown Partnership member
b. Paid invoices, receipts and proof of payment (canceled check or credit card statement)for project expenses including tools, materials, and labor

Note: Failure to submit the required documentation will result in non-reimbursement





REVIEW & APPROVAL PROCESS



All applications must be submitted between **July 21, 2026 and August 31, 2026**.

The project must be completed with **all applicable paperwork submitted by May 3, 2027**; **i.e., paid in full invoice(s) from the contractor(s), credit card statements, canceled checks, & after photos.**

All applicants seeking assistance from the DTR Grant program must have approval from the CDP before project is commenced. Approved projects will be notified by September 15, 2026.

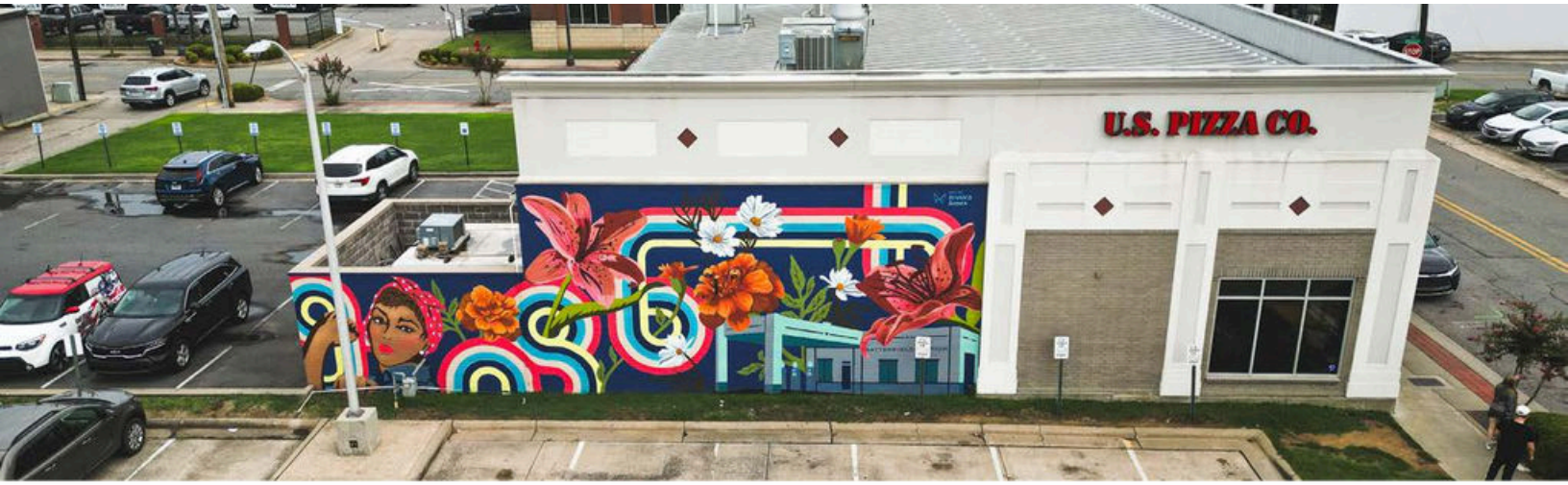
Applicants must present all required documents, along with estimates, to the CDP. All applications will be reviewed by Main Street Arkansas to ensure proper rehabilitation and preservation methods are being met.

The Design Committee, Conway Downtown Partnership Board of Directors and Main Street Arkansas are responsible for making all final funding decisions for the Grant Program. There is no appeal process.

Any questions concerning the Grant Program can be directed to the Conway Downtown Partnership, 900 Oak Street, Conway, AR. 72032, or calling our office at 501-932-5407.

PREVIOUS GRANT RECIPIENTS







DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION GRANT APPLICATION

Applicant Name: _____

Property Owner: Yes No

Property Address:_____

Phone:_____

Email:_____

Is this property listed on the National Register? Yes No

Property Owner Information
Name:_____

Address:_____

Phone:_____

Email:_____

Project Description: Please provide a detailed project description including scope of work, cost estimate(s), rendering(s), proposed material(s), etc.

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Project Description (cont.):

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Applicant's Agreement:
I, _____ have read the program guidelines and have consulted with the Conway Downtown Partnership about the proposed façade enhancement to my business/property. I have read and understand all requirements, and agree to follow the guidelines of the grant, with the guidance of the Conway Downtown Partnership and Main Street Arkansas. I agree to keep constant contact during the grant project so all parties are kept up to date on project timelines and tasks before, during and after so proper documentation can be made.

Signature:_____ Date:_____

Property Owner Consent
I, _____ give my consent to this project for the Downtown Façade Grant program. I understand the requirements, project completion timelines and guidelines of the grant program.

Signature:_____ Date:_____

PREFERRED VENDORS/CONTRACTORS

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