



Storefront Façade Grant Program

Part of the Avenues of Hope Initiative

The Avenues of Hope **Storefront Façade Grant Program** provides funds to commercial building and business owners to improve their building facades.



About Avenues of Hope

The Avenues of Hope (AoH) initiative is a place-based, people-first approach that promotes Black-owned centers of arts, culture, and business with mixed-use and pedestrian-friendly developments.

Corridors included in AoH are Perrysville Avenue, Chartiers Avenue, Centre Avenue, Larimer Avenue, Homewood Avenue, Warrington Avenue/Brownsville Road, and Second Avenue (Irvine Street).

For more information on the Avenues of Hope program, visit www.ura.org/pages/avenues-of-hope.

Grant Amount

Applicants can apply for up to \$12,000 in grant funding for façade improvements. Applicant will need to show evidence of a 10% investment in the project.

Uses

Funds can be used to improve the façade of the building. 25% of the grant can be used towards interior improvements. 50% of funds can be utilized for ADA improvements.

Application

There is a \$100 application fee. Scan the QR code above to apply. Applications are considered on a quarterly basis with the following deadlines:

- April 30, 2023
- June 30, 2023
- September 30, 2023
- December 31, 2023

Eligibility Requirements

- Type of businesses: Commercial establishments, service establishments, personal services, repair services, and business services.
- Owner occupancy is not required. Approval of tenant-initiated projects will be contingent upon the owner's approval.
- Building must be located within an Avenues of Hope corridor
- The Storefront Façade Grant Program requirements shall be binding for a period of seven years from the date of closing.

For more information, email [Josette Fitzgibbons](mailto:jfitzgibbons@ura.org) at jfitzgibbons@ura.org or visit www.ura.org/pages/avenues-of-hope-storefront-facade-grant-program.