

PHILMONT BEAUTIFICATION, INC.

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PHILMONT MAIN STREET PROGRAM

Notice of Funding Availability

Philmont Beautification, Inc. is currently accepting applications for Main St. program grants for the financing of building renovation projects for eligible buildings located on the Main St. between Martindale Road and Block Street. If you are a property owner with a building located within the target area – please contact us for an application, or visit our web site Main St. program page at http://www.pbinc.org/main-street to download an application and view the 2010 NYMS guidelines under Useful Documents. Applications will be taken on a first come first served basis.

Program Description

A total of \$344,000.00 is available to be used as 50% matching funds up to a total of \$50,000 per building to undertake renovations of mixed-use, commercial buildings, and qualifying low-income residential rental units. The aim of the PB Inc Main St. program is to ensure that upon completion of renovation work, each building selected will become a greater factor in contributing to small business development and downtown revitalization.

Building applications will be reviewed by the Selection Review Committee for project selection. If you would like to join this committee please contact us at 518 672 7556 or email at info@pbinc.org

A Streetscape program component for a total of \$60,000 will be available to the village for streetscape improvements to be implemented within the target area. This component does not require matching funds and is viewed as a program "bonus" to be overseen by the Streetscape Committee, chaired by Mayor Speed. If you would like to join the Streetscape Committee please contact us at 518 672 7556 or email at info@pbinc.org

Main St. Program Workshop - <u>Sunday May 15th at 2.30pm in the Village Hall</u>

A question and answer workshop will be held at the Village Hall at 124 Main St. Please use the ADA accessible ramp if required. Applications will be available at the workshop, and copies of the program guidelines. All contractors wishing to be listed on the PB Inc program contractor list are invited, as well as property owners, business

PB Inc is organized as a grass-roots nonprofit 501 (c) (3) tax-exempt organization initiating programs which contribute to the general quality of community life through Main St. revitalization renovation projects, The Philmont Farmers' Market, improved affordable housing, small business assistance, and through community arts. Please consider making a tax-deductible contribution to support a program of your choice. Philmont Beautification, Inc. is a registered public charity at the NYS Charities Bureau and a member of GuideStar. Annual reporting can be requested from both agencies.

owners, and residents of Philmont wishing to take part in the Program Committees for the selection of project buildings and Streetscape improvements.

Program Eligibility

Applications for NYMS funds received from property owners must meet program criteria, including, among other program stipulations:

Property Eligibility:

- Mixed-use storefront
- Commercial building
- Properties with low-income residential rental units. Renters household income must be below 80% of the 2010-11 Columbia County median of \$65,700

Program Criteria

- Must be located in the approved target area Martindale Rd to West St.
- Must propose renovations to enhance the facade and/or interior units
- Must have approved plans for all proposed work including work that will not be funded with NYMS funds
- Must own the property
- Must provide a work schedule and estimated date of completion
- Must provide evidence of SHPO and any signage approvals, or documentation that applications have been submitted to the Philmont Building Department
- Must demonstrate the financial ability to provide a 100% cost of proposed renovations to reach project completion before 50% NYMS matching funds based on a reimbursement basis of paid eligible receipts to be received and processed by PB Inc before grant funds payment will be made to property owner
- Must have a plan for marketing vacant space
- Applicants must provide evidence of ownership, and that all local property and school taxes are current
- Property owner agrees to abide by program guidelines and oversight management by PB Inc for all phases of selected projects, including control of bid process, agrees to enter into formal program agreement with PB Inc as Local Program Administrator responsible for all NYS reporting and project management oversight, including any construction change orders
- PB Inc reserves the right to reject any proposal received, and/or waive or modify any proposal received, after prior notification to the sponsor

Eligible Uses

Eligible uses include, but are not limited to:

- Asbestos and mold testing, abatement and removal
- Improvement to fire rating between occupancies
- Window replacements (vinyl replacements not allowed)
- Façade restorations, including replacement of siding, roofs, painting, repairs
- Upgrades to meet 2010 energy codes
- Energy efficient improvements
- Installation of smoke and heat protection systems such as smoke detectors and sprinkler systems
- Permanent fixtures, such as small business equipment installation, permanent lighting fixtures
- Renovations to low-income apartments which will improve the quality of residential accommodations for low-income renters
- Apron structural improvements if accompanied by a Façade restoration