

50/50 Cost Share Program

Properly maintained sidewalks allow for safe pedestrian travel and add value to individual properties. The Village of Granville does have a 50/50 cost share sidewalk replacement program that makes it easier and less expensive for property owners to comply with Village and state codes. This program is available to residents, whose sidewalks need replacement based on an evaluation by the Village Service Director.

To apply to the program, residents must complete an application and provide two bids from contractors. The Service Director has the names of contractors that work in the Village. Application will be reviewed by the Service Director and Village Manager.

Once a project is approved, the Village will work with the property owner to schedule the work and determine how fees will be paid.

For more information on this 50/50 Cost Share Program or general information about sidewalks and pathways in the Village, contact the Village Service Department at 740-587-1880.



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Sidewalk Maintenance & Repair Policy



Sidewalks

Sidewalks serve a great purpose in our community by providing pedestrians with a safe means of walking and jogging. There are few things worse than having a nice long walk or run through your neighborhood disrupted by tripping on a cracked, deteriorated, or misaligned sidewalk. Not only does this sidewalk threaten your safety, but it also decreases the neighborhood's beauty.



To combat this problem, the Village of Granville conducts an annual sidewalk maintenance program.

Over time, sidewalks can become damaged from weathering, tree roots, and even use. The Village of Granville sidewalk maintenance and repair program has been developed to annually inspect, repair or reconstruct damaged sidewalks. The goal is to provide a safe pathway for pedestrian travel. Each year the sidewalk within an area of the Village is evaluated and funding set aside for repairs.

Who is responsible for sidewalk maintenance?

In Granville, like most communities across the state, the property owner is responsible for the maintenance and repair to the sidewalk abutting their property (Village Code Section 905). Property owners are also liable for any injuries sustained by someone who trips or falls as a result of a sidewalk that is in disrepair or defective.

What is considered a defective sidewalk?

There are several criteria that the Village Service Department Director uses to determine if a sidewalk is in disrepair or defective. These include but are not limited to:

1. Offset sidewalk, where a part of the sidewalk is raised $\frac{3}{8}$ or higher, per criteria from the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) guidelines.
2. Cracked concrete which creates gaps or holes in the sidewalk.
3. Marbled concrete where the surface is so rough that someone using a walker, wheelchair or crutches would have difficulty walking.
4. Tree root damage.

When will the Village repair a sidewalk?

The Village has a sidewalk replacement program that is funded annually. The Village replaces sidewalks that are damaged by street trees at the Village's expense. (Street trees are trees planted by the Village between the sidewalk and curb.) The Service Director has established a multi-year replacement plan that divides the Village into quadrants. Sidewalks are replaced at the Village's expense based on available funding. The Village Service Director, with the approval of the Village Manager and Village Council, set a five-year replacement plan.

The Village will not replace brick sidewalks. All Village sidewalks are to be Portland cement.

