



EAGLE URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY

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FY2026 FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION

Date Submitted: _____

Total Project Cost [Minus Sales Tax]: _____

Amount of Grant Requested [Up to 50% of the Total Project Cost - Minus Sales Tax]:

\$ _____

Applicant Name[s]: _____

Address of Property To Be Improved: _____

Applicant Mailing Address: _____

Applicant Phone Number(s): _____

Applicant Email Address: _____

Business Owner Name(s): _____

Business Name: _____

Business Website: _____

Business is a (check one): ☐ Corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ Sole Proprietorship ☐ Other:

Applicant and Property Owner income and property taxes are current (check one):

☐ Yes ☐ No

Applicant's interest is (check one): ☐ Owner ☐ Renter (of the property to be improved)

If Applicant is Renter:

Property Owner Name[s]: _____

Property Owner Address: _____

Property Owner Phone: _____

Property Owner E-mail Address: _____

Current Lease Term Expiration Date: _____

Applicant is in compliance with current lease: ☐ Yes ☐ No (Attach Explanation)

Building Dimensions:

Frontage: _____

Depth: _____

Height: _____

Number of Floors: _____

Improvements for which grant funds are requested (check all that apply):

- ☐ Exterior Signage
- ☐ Restoration of Architectural Details
- ☐ Accessible Entrance
- ☐ Exterior Lighting
- ☐ Storefront Windows
- ☐ Exterior Paneling/Siding
- ☐ Add Architectural Details
- ☐ Exterior Painting
- ☐ Storefront Door
- ☐ Awning/Canopy
- ☐ Other

Provide ALL of the following to be considered a complete application [or provide a written explanation as to why they cannot be provided at this time]:

1. Detailed description of the improvement(s) for which grant funds are being requested.
2. Detailed description of the property, including: the history of the property, original construction date, any major remodels, previous uses, current use, and whether the property is a designated historic site.
3. Photos: historical and current.
4. Any documentation of historical designation.
5. **Description of public purpose or benefit to result from the proposed improvement. This is the principal and primary factor in evaluating use of EURA funds. The primary benefit derived from the project must be to the public and not the private applicant. The Applicant is responsible to provide a sufficient explanation in their application of how their project primarily benefits the public.**
6. Any available plans, elevations, sketches, dimensional drawings, architectural renderings, architectural and/or engineering drawings and dimensions of the proposed improvements.
7. Project budget, cost estimate(s) for each improvement, and project financing plan.

8. Name and contact information of the proposed contractor, architect, etc.
9. Proposed project schedule, including anticipated start date and completion date.

NOTE: Please bundle all application materials into one single .pdf. If the application materials are not submitted in a clear and cohesive manner, the application may not be accepted.

Certification:

I, _____, hereby certify that:

1. I currently have sufficient funds or financing available to fully complete the façade improvement project for which I am requesting partial funding.
2. I understand that the use of Eagle Urban Renewal Agency (EURA) funds for this proposed project requires strict adherence to the specific restrictions and regulations pertaining to such funds. If selected for funding, I agree to comply in all respects with any and all applicable local, state and federal laws and regulations applicable to receipt and use of those funds and to the terms and conditions of any Participation Agreement between EURA and the Applicant.
3. I understand that if this proposed project is approved for partial cost reimbursement with EURA funds, I will be required to enter into a separate written Participation Agreement with EURA establishing the specific terms and conditions of using these funds for façade improvements as approved by EURA. Any approval an Application is contingent upon execution of the Participation Agreement by the Applicant and Property Owner and EURA.
4. I understand that all work requested for reimbursement must be approved ***before*** the actual work requested for reimbursement ***is started and completed***.
5. I understand that all EURA-funded improvements must stay with the property unless approved, in writing, by EURA prior to removal.

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Applicant Name (Print): _____

Property Owner Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Property Owner Name (Print): _____

If you have any questions regarding this application or to schedule a meeting to discuss this program, please contact the EURA Executive Director Ashley Ford-Squyres at 208-830-7786.

Please return all completed application materials by email to: eagleurbanrenewal@gmail.com

FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GRANT REQUIREMENTS

The Eagle Urban Renewal envisions a restored and revitalized downtown with vibrant, profitable businesses in a fun and exciting place for people to shop, do business, and to enjoy themselves. To improve and maintain the historic character of buildings and create a visual sense of place in downtown Eagle, property owners or business applicants may apply for grant funds to partially reimburse certain projects as described below. EURA is not required to approve any application or any amount. EURA, in its sole discretion, evaluates the applications in light of its goals, priorities, objectives and available funds.

1. Grant Program Specifics

In Fiscal Year 2026, beginning on October 01, 2025 and ending September 30, 2026, EURA has allocated \$75,000 in general fund dollars toward this façade improvement program for properties that are located within the Eagle urban renewal district boundaries and more specifically the portion of the district located north of Highway 44 and between the line extending north and south along S. Edgewood Lane on the east end to the line extending north and south from the intersection of N. Eagle Glen Lane and Old State Street on the west.

The EURA's goal is to fund multiple projects. Funding available under this program may be used for project design and actual construction costs to complete the façade improvement identified within the submitted application. If the EURA, in its sole discretion, determines that the specific scope of the façade improvement project proposed provides more than an ancillary benefit to the private applicant, or, despite some public benefit, that its primary purpose is for private benefit, then the EURA may deny an application in whole or in part.

2. Eligible Applicants

Building/property owners or their representatives are eligible, as well as business tenants with the written approval of the building/property owner. A business must be an Idaho based business to be eligible to apply.

3. Façade Improvement Eligibility Requirements

- A. Except as otherwise provided herein, only proposed improvements to the building exterior, visible from or fronting on a public street or alley are eligible for this funding.
- B. Eligible project costs include, but are not necessarily limited to: architectural and/or engineering services, the building façade from the grade up, including structural modifications, windows, casements, doors and doorways, canopy, awnings, signs, design details, fire escapes, power, drains, curtain wall assemblies, parapets, cornices, moldings, tiles and other design details, coatings and sealants, etc. ***Please note, it is up to each individual applicant to describe how the requested project improvements meet the public purpose evaluation criteria.***
- C. Property owners must be up-to-date on payment of all taxes prior to participation in the program.

- D. Applicant must comply with all federal, state, and local laws and regulations pertaining to licensing, permits, building codes, zoning requirements, and receipt and use of these funds. Applicant shall be responsible for identifying and complying with all such requirements, including any cost or consequence to Applicant of compliance with such requirements prior to participation in this program.
- E. The obligation to obtain all necessary governmental permits and approvals shall at all times remain the sole responsibility of the Applicant.
- F. Buildings without a public entrance meeting ADA standards must include the remedy as part of the proposed project.
- G. Properties used in whole or in part for commercial purposes are also eligible to apply for reimbursement for rear entrance improvements if they also meet the following criteria:
 - The building must have an existing rear entrance, or a location for a new rear entrance, that is handicapped accessible to the public from a dedicated public street, alley, or other right-of-way, or from a parking lot or walkway that is owned or leased by the City, or from other property that is encumbered by an easement granting public pedestrian access.
 - The rear entrance to be improved must provide public access to a business within the building.

4. General Criteria for Selection of Projects

- A. Buildings located within the geographical constraints as outlined under Item #1 above are eligible for this program.
- B. Projects must be designed in compliance with all Eagle City Code requirements in all respects, including, where applicable, current Eagle Design Guidelines. The street level should be pedestrian friendly with abundant windows, inviting entrances and with awnings or canopies sheltering the sidewalk. Projects may uncover, retain or preserve the original design for store-fronts, windows, and entrances. Design for individual buildings should not ignore the surrounding structures and should seek to install or preserve elements that link buildings together with a block and across the street, such as height, cornices, window patterns or materials.
- C. Energy conservation should be considered when modifying or replacing windows and doors.
- D. Prior to the execution of a Participation Agreement and funding of a proposed façade improvement project, the application may be sent by the EURA for preliminary review comment, or approval to any of the following agencies: the Idaho State Historic Preservation Office, the City of Eagle Design Review Commission, or the City of Eagle Planning and Zoning Department. The obligation to obtain all necessary governmental permits and approvals shall at all times remain the sole responsibility of the Applicant.
- E. The Applicant carries the burden of establishing that the public benefit is the principal purpose of the application and that any private benefit is ancillary to that public purpose or benefit. Some examples that help establish the public benefit of a proposal are derived from

the Plan, the empowering city ordinance and Idaho Code and include but are not limited to, the following:

• Compliance with Comprehensive Plan for City of Eagle and City Code. • Elimination of obsolete and aged building types. • Redesign of underdeveloped areas. • Design elements that provide unity and integrity. • Increase the assessed value and long-term tax base. • Public art and creative spaces. • Reverse a history of poorly maintained and underdeveloped property. • Revitalization of area in conformance with EURA Plan. • Prevents property from falling into disuse. • Structures must be safe, sound, attractive in appearance and not detrimental to surrounding uses. • Supports and encourages private enterprise and effort to revitalize areas. • Removes economic liability and disuse. • Promotes sound growth and livability. • Promotes private investment in area.	• Prevents, removes, remediates or eliminates spread of deterioration. • Rehabilitation of deteriorating structures and improvements. • Combat deterioration and economic underdevelopment • Promotes a “Main Street” approach focusing on physical improvements and promoting business development and organization. • Improves environment for new commercial development and eliminates unsafe conditions. • Participating structure(s) must be safe and upgraded to marketable condition with minimum useful life of 20 years. • Good design that enhances aesthetic quality of area and complies with applicable City design review requirements. • Addresses dilapidated conditions, inadequate light and open space and conditions that endanger life, health, safety and morales. • Provides needed public improvements.
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5. EURA Requirements and Discretion

- A. The Participation Agreement with a selected Applicant will contain terms and provisions requiring that the Applicant comply with the applicable goals, policies and objectives of the EURA as contained in the EURA’s Urban Renewal Plan.
- B. Whether to approve a specific application and the amount of funds approved for a particular project is within the complete discretion of EURA. In accordance with the goals and objectives of EURA and the factors described at the end of this paragraph, EURA may

deny an application in whole or in part, approve something less than the amount requested or establish caps or limitations on the amount of funds that may be approved per application or type of application. Based upon available funds and other priorities EURA may structure reimbursement as it deems appropriate, for example, reimbursement upon completion, reimburse in amounts over time or reimbursement over time from tax increment revenue generated by the property. If the EURA finds a project eligible and the improvements requested for reimbursement acceptable, the EURA will typically attempt to reimburse the Applicant for up to fifty percent (50%) of the total cost (less sales tax) of the acceptable improvements. However, the Board may adopt a lower percentage based on various factors which include, but are not limited to, available funding, the number of applications received, the strength of the application and the EURA's goals, priorities and policies in a particular fiscal year.

FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT EVALUATION CRITERIA

All applicants will be scored on the criteria listed below. A minimum score of 70% is required to be eligible for funding.

EVALUATION CRITERIA	GENERAL FUNDS [% of Total Score]
Historical Structure	5%
Public Benefit	55%
Cost to Benefit	10%
Eradication of Slum and Blight	25%
Individual applicant vs. joint applicants	5%
Total	100%