

FBIA Basic Area Enhancement Grant

The Fleetwood BIA is committed to ensuring that Fleetwood businesses have a welcoming and visually appealing look that invites customers into their businesses. New paint, flowers, trimmed trees and shrubs signage and lights can all beautify your business and can create a more inviting atmosphere for your customers.

The Fleetwood BIA is supporting businesses, seeking to enhance the look of their business, through a micro-grant of up to \$1000. If a business is seeking to complete larger area enhancements, the applicant can use the micro grant funds for larger, more expensive upgrades such as replacing siding, redoing brickwork, replacing windows or doors, or installing wheelchair access and can also apply for the City of Surrey's Facade Enhancement Grant which provides funds of 30% of project cost through a reimbursement up to \$3000.

1) Basic Area Enhancements include:

- Updating or adding new building signage and/or outdoor lights
- Painting of building exterior or graffiti removal
- Cleaning & power washing buildings or sidewalks
- Cutting & clearing overgrown trees or bushes
- Planting a garden, grass or adding flower pots

2) Eligibility Criteria: The applicant must:

- be a Fleetwood BIA member as property or business owner. If the applicant is a tenant/lessor, the applicant must have the approval of the property owner in writing;
- be current on all property tax obligations and have a valid Surrey Business License;
- demonstrate graphically or in writing their plan for area enhancement (on the application form)

3) Application Process

The applicant must complete the Basic Area Enhancement Application, which should include a copy of any quote(s) from licensed contractors (as needed), and can deliver or mail to the FBIA office or can email the application package to info@fleetwoodbia.com.

4) Approval of Grant

Once approved, the applicant will be contacted and can then commence with the project. In certain situations, the FBIA may take the lead on the project and can fund the project directly to the contractor. The project must commence within 60 days of approval. If there is no activity for 60 days, then the project will be cancelled – at this point the applicant would have to re-submit the entire application form.

5) Funding Reimbursement

Should the applicant choose to fund the area enhancement up front, the micro grant funding is to be provided to applicants within 7 business days of project completion. Once completed, the applicant must provide copies of all final receipts from the project to the FBIA.

6) Limitation of Liability

The Fleetwood BIA assumes no liability for any damages incurred by businesses and any damages related to the contracting installer of any assets to the applicant's premises. The additions reimbursed through this program will not be owned by the BIA in any way.

If you have any questions about the application or the Fleetwood BIA Policy, please contact us.

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