



**Broadwater County Development Corporation
(BCDC)**

**2024 Broadwater County
Store Front Beautification
GRANT APPLICATION**

**UP TO \$1000 FOR
STORE FRONT BEAUTIFICATION**

Dear Business Owner:

Broadwater County Development Corporation (BCDC) is announcing a new season of grants for 2024. To be eligible for one of these grants, the improvements must be

made by the property owner or the business owner with the property owner's approval in writing. These matching grants are being awarded for up to \$1000.00 for business beautification. The purpose of this grant is to enhance the street-side appearance of your business to encourage and invite visitors to stop and shop in Broadwater County and improve the local perception of "home town" businesses. **BCDC will not grant any monies to projects or businesses that it deems inappropriate for our area. Government buildings, political buildings, school buildings & religious buildings are not eligible for grants.**

BCDC members are eligible for a Store Front grant up to \$1000; Non members are eligible for up to \$750.00.

This is a 50-50 matching grant, designed to provide assistance in beautification of your business exterior which also includes your signage, landscaping, trees, sidewalks, non-advertising decorative banners and murals (banners and murals must be pre-approved by BCDC to qualify for grant funds). Along with your application, please provide a picture of the property that is to be beautified and include a written description of the areas to be improved. The written description should include a description of the proposed beautification project, an anticipated budget and the source of matching funds and the property owner's written permission if necessary. **These are to be mailed to BCDC, PO Box 698, Townsend, MT 59644 no later than January 31, 2025.**

Grant recipients can apply for only one Store Front grant per calendar year. However, subsequent improvements done in future years are still eligible for Store Front grants.

If you are accepted for one of BCDC's grants, your project must be completed by the end of the 2024 calendar year. All state & local building requirements must be approved by the state, Townsend's City zoning regulations or the county zoning regulations in effect at your location if you are outside Townsend's city limits and all required permits acquired prior to commencement of project. Monies will be dispersed upon total completion of the beautification project if the following requirements are met: 1) Copies of receipts are provided for labor and materials that the grant money will be applied to. 2) The source and amount of matching funds are provided. BCDC will match the expenditures up to a maximum of \$1000.00. BCDC retains the right to question, alter or reject any claim that they may deem inflated or unreasonable. Your application for these grant monies implies your acceptance of these requirements. Failure to provide these materials upon completion of your project will nullify this contract and disallow you from collecting any grant monies.

BCDC also retains all rights of publication relating to your project, which includes but is not limited to the following: the announcement, editorial and photographs of your beautification project without any time limits.

BCDC STORE FRONT BEAUTIFICATION GRANT APPLICATION (Preliminary)

Name of Business:

Type of business:

Physical Location of Business:

Mailing Address:

Contact Name:

Contact Telephone Number:

Contact Email:

Are there any local or state permits required for the type of beautification project you are proposing?

Have you received the property owner's written permission if necessary?

Do you have any murals or banners included in your project?

Have the murals or banners been pre-approved by BCDC?

Please describe the scope of the project and projected costs, include the source of matching funds (*attach additional sheets if necessary*). Include photographs of the area to be improved.

BCDC STORE FRONT BEAUTIFICATION GRANT APPLICATION (UPON COMPLETION)

Name of Business:

Type of business:

Physical Location of Business:

Mailing Address:

Contact Name:

Contact Telephone Number:

Contact Email:

Are there any local or state permits required for the type of beautification project you are proposing?

Have you received the property owner's written permission if necessary?

Do you have any murals or banners included in your project?

Have the murals or banners been pre-approved by BCDC?

Please describe the scope of the project and final costs, include the source of matching funds (*attach additional sheets if necessary*). Include before and after photographs of the improvement area.