

**A Running Start on Development
Community Betterment Match Grant Application**

A. Introduction

Please fill out this application completely and truthfully. The Community Betterment Match Grant is a 50/50 match grant, which means the grant funds are eligible to cover no more than half of your project costs. Each grant award will not exceed \$500.00, and the awards will only be given to commercial or industrial sites for exterior signage projects. (If you have a question as to whether or not your project is eligible for a grant award, please do not hesitate to contact the phone number at the bottom of the application.) Thank you for applying for the Community Betterment Match Grant Fund and for your dedication to improving Hardin County's economic climate.

B. Contact Information

Name _____
Address _____ City _____
State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ Email Address _____

C. Business Information

Name of Business _____
Location of Business _____
Type of Business _____ Number of Employees _____
How long have you been in business? _____
What is your approximate annual revenue? _____

D. Project Information

- **Projects that are NOT eligible: equipment updates, structural work, generic maintenance, etc.**
- **Projects that ARE eligible: signage, painting, storefront restoration, etc.**

Project Name _____
Project Description (What will you construct or improve, dimensions, materials used, etc.)

Estimated Total Project Cost _____
Project Start Date _____ Project End Date _____

Project Location **(Attach a building permit if applicable.)**

Who will be constructing or executing the improvements?

E. Economic Development Initiatives

Will the proposed project create jobs? If so, how many? _____

How will the proposed project increase the overall economic activity of your business?

Will the proposed project lead to further development efforts by your business? If so, Explain.

F. Cost Summary

Total Project Cost	\$ _____
=	
50% of Project Cost (Business owner contribution)	\$ _____
+	
50% of Project Cost (Grant award not to exceed \$500)*	\$ _____

**If 50% of the project cost exceeds \$500, the project will still only be eligible to receive a maximum of \$500 in grant funds.*

If you have any questions regarding your project, or the grant application itself, please do not hesitate to contact the Economic Development Director, Angela De La Riva for more details and assistance.

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