

Jefferson Matters Design Team



Storefront Signage Mini-Grant Application Matching up to \$750

Purpose:

This grant program is to assist building & business owners in Jefferson financially with new signage.

Eligible Applicants:

- ◆ Property & business owners with a Jefferson address.

Eligible Projects to be considered for Funding:

- ◆ New wall mount and projecting signage on exterior of business.

Terms & Conditions:

- ◆ This is a 50% matching grant for materials/installation of signage up to \$500.00.
- ◆ Once signage project approval is received from Jefferson Matters, grant funds are available on a reimbursement basis only. Receipts are required.
- ◆ "Before" and "after" photos need to be submitted prior to funding reimbursement.
- ◆ Project must be completed six months from application date approval.
- ◆ Grant funds to be awarded as funding is available.

Application Procedure:

- ◆ Obtain a design for your signage by meeting with Main Street Iowa design consultants or a signage professional. A simple design assistance form is needed for MSI's free service.
- ◆ Obtain a color drawing of your proposed signage from either Main Street Iowa or a signage professional.
- ◆ Attach drawings to this completed Signage Mini-Grant application.

Main Street's Design Team approval is needed before funding is considered.

Applicant Information

Building/Business Name: _____

Contact Person: _____ Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Daytime Phone Number: _____

Date Submitted: _____ E-mail: _____

Total Project Cost: \$ _____ Amount requested from this grant program: \$ _____

Project Address: _____

Project Description _____

Signature: _____

Business Owner

Building owner if different

The Main Street Director along with members of the Design Committee will make recommendations to the Main Street Board at their monthly meeting on projects to fund. Funds are limited to amount budgeted for the year.

Date design is approved by Design Team: _____

Date reimbursement is approved by JM:MS Board: _____

Your application and drawings will be returned to you after approval.

For More Information/Questions:

Contact the Executive Director at 515-386-2155 or director@jeffersonmatters.org

201 E Lincoln Way, Jefferson, IA 50129

The completion of our building façade projects has given our Jefferson downtown area a wonderful historic look. The addition of new signage is important in making our downtown vibrant and welcoming. How can we assist you?

Signage Guidelines from Main Street Iowa:

It is important to convey your personal brand or business image in a manner that is simple and unique. As you decide how to express the identification and personality of your business, there are several considerations for your signage. The Main Street program offers materials, resources and free design assistance through Main Street Iowa if requested. Please review materials included on these design elements.

- ◆ Shape and proportion
- ◆ Location
- ◆ Size
- ◆ Colors
- ◆ Style of Lettering
- ◆ Lighting

City of Jefferson Zoning Requirements:

- ◆ Constructed of durable, weather resistant material
- ◆ Professionally crafted
- ◆ Mounted at least 12 feet above sidewalk as measured from the bottom edge of the sign if a projecting sign
- ◆ Mounted at least 8 feet above sidewalk as measured from bottom edge of the sign if a wall mount/cabinet sign
- ◆ Mounted at least two feet back from the curb as measured from the outside edge of the sign if projecting sign
- ◆ Projecting signs may project to a maximum distance of 5 feet from a building with a maximum thickness of 2 feet
- ◆ Projecting signs may not have any flashing, blinking, rotating, or moving part, except to denote public service information similar to a "time/temperature" portion, which must be at least 12 feet above grade.
- ◆ All signs must comply with City codes and zoning requirements. Contact City Hall at 385-3111 or at 220 N Chestnut.
- ◆ A building permit is required prior to construction and is available at City Hall.