

# **Decatur Main Street Incentive Grant Program**

## **Sign, Paint & Façade Grant**

***The Incentive Grant Program is designed to encourage Historic Preservation through restoration and renovation within the Main Street District through small grants to building or business owners.***

Property or business owners must apply for the grant before restoration or renovation work has begun. No grants will be awarded for work that has already been completed. No grants will be awarded for work to be covered by insurance.

Use of funds will be focused on the exterior (façade) of storefronts and commercial buildings located within the designated Main Street District for signage, paint or façade restoration.

All projects must follow City of Decatur guidelines and obtain necessary permissions and permits. Upon submission to City of Decatur Development Services, confirmation of project inclusion within the designated Main Street District will be determined. Projects will then also be reviewed and approved by the Main Street Advisory Board. Applicants are encouraged to take advantage of the free architectural & design services offered through the Texas Main Street Program (Call Frieda for details, 940-399-9558).

Grants will be awarded for one half of the cost of the project, not exceeding \$500 per sign, \$500 per painting, \$5,000 per façade on a case by case basis. Reimbursement grants will be administered on a first come first serve basis until funds are depleted on an annual basis.

When the project has been satisfactorily completed, reviewed and verified by the Decatur Main Street Advisory Board, including paid invoices for eligible work, it can be submitted for the appropriate reimbursement grant.

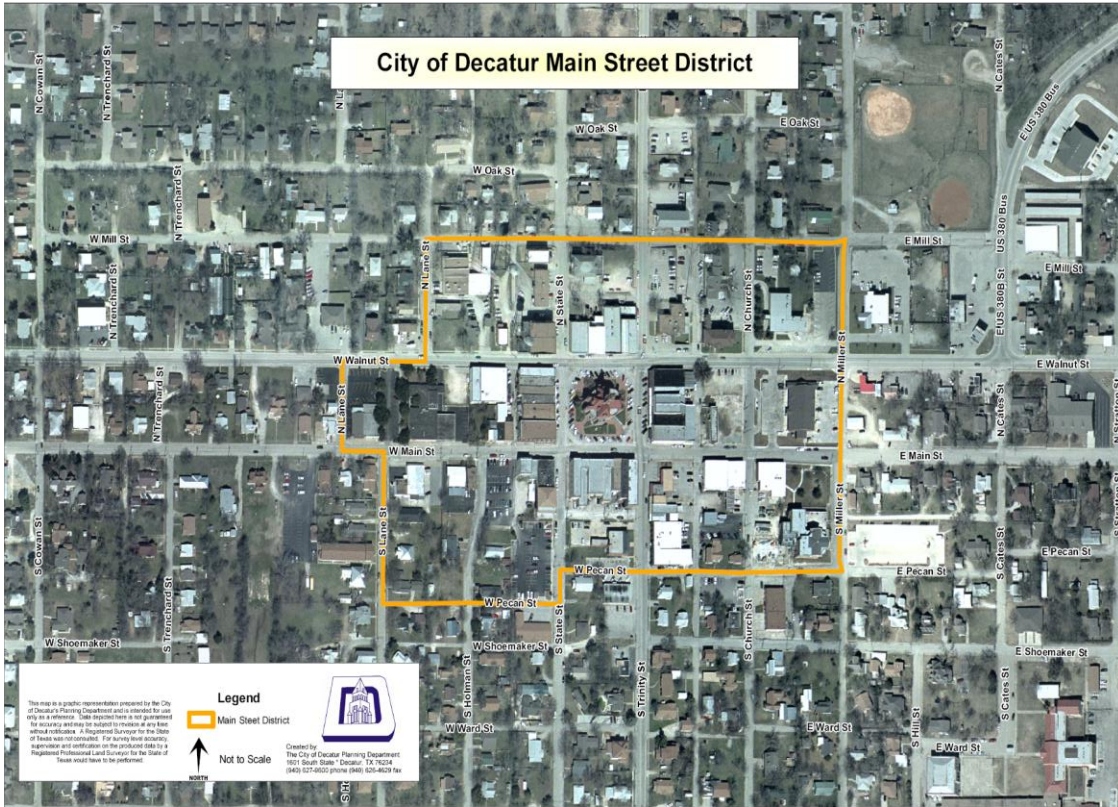
Please fill out this application in its entirety and return to the  
Decatur Main Street office at the Decatur Visitor's Center

106 South Trinity

940-399-9558

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Questions may be directed to Frieda Lasater, Program Director.



## Eligible Improvements

- Removal of elements which cover original architectural details
- Repair of original architectural details
- New storefront construction for existing buildings
- Window repair restoration and/or replacement
- Removal of handicap barriers
- Exterior painting and related repairs
- Wall surface repair to brick, stone, stucco and mortar
- Awning repair and/or replacement

## Ineligible Improvements

- Design or Architectural Fees
- General Building Maintenance
- Planters or landscaping
- Any structural work unrelated to the façade
- Roof repairs unrelated to the façade
- Existing debt of any kind
- Business operating expenses
- Advertising and/or marketing expenses
- Interior improvements of any kind including electrical, plumbing, HVAC and lighting

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**APPLICATION**

**I. APPLICANT:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

**II. BUILDING INFORMATION:**

Building/Business Address & Location \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Business \_\_\_\_\_

Historic Building Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date Constructed \_\_\_\_\_ Square Footage \_\_\_\_\_

**III. EXTERIOR IMPROVEMENT PLAN:**

	<b>Paint</b>	<b>Sign</b>	<b>Facade</b>
Amount to be invested by Applicant	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Amount of Grant Requested	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

Please write a brief summary of proposed improvements.

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**IV. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**Please include the following.**

1. Copy of contractor/painter/workman's **bid**.
2. Full **color sketch** of intended work.
3. Sketch to show **sign placement** on building if applicable.
4. Copy of **sign permit** when applicable. See Sign Ordinance at [www.Decaturtx.org](http://www.Decaturtx.org)

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**AGREEMENT**

I have met with the Main Street Manager and fully understand the procedures established by the Main Street Advisory Board.

I have read the Incentive Grant Policies and Procedures.

I understand that if I am granted an Incentive Grant by the Main Street Advisory Board, that any deviation from this agreement may result in the withdrawal of funds.

I agree to supply receipts showing expenditures at least twice the amount I am requesting. i.e. :\$500 grant request =\$1,000 in receipts submitted to design committee.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_  
**APPLICANT**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Main Street Program Manager**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Main Street Advisory Board Approval**