

Program Highlights

The Façade Improvement Program is designed to work in partnership with Isla Vista businesses and commercial property owners to:

- Improve the physical image of Isla Vista
- Revitalize downtown Isla Vista
- Stimulate private investment in Isla Vista
- Make Isla Vista a more attractive place to shop
- Help improve the bottom line for local businesses

The Redevelopment Agency will match one to one every dollar privately invested on façade renovation projects in downtown Isla Vista, up to \$10,000 per project.

Additional grant moneys may be considered for projects of increased size and scope. Program funds may be used to improve the exterior of your building and to construct visible site improvements. The matching rebate grants are disbursed after the project is completed.

The Agency will also provide free architectural design assistance to refine and finalize exterior site improvements and project design.

Grant Conditions

- Façade Improvement Program Grant funds must be matched by an equal sum from the applicant.
- Grant funds are reimbursed only after completion of project as identified in the project agreement.
- Projects already started are ineligible.
- Project must be completed within nine months.



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Isla Vista

Downtown Façade Improvement Program

Matching
Grants
up to \$10,000

Free Architectural
Design Assistance

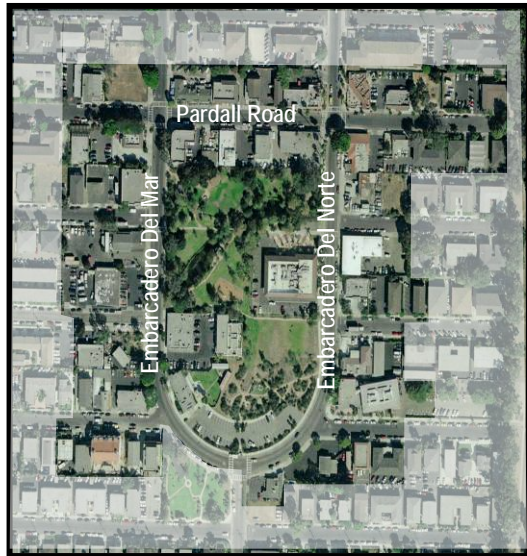
Eligible Projects

Eligible projects should improve the overall visual character of the community. The Redevelopment Agency wants to help you with projects like the following:

- Exterior wall finishes
- Display windows
- Painting
- Doors and entrances
- Awnings
- Signs and sign lighting
- Landscaping
- Sidewalks
- Parking lots

Eligibility Criteria

The program is available to commercial properties in downtown Isla Vista, as shown in the map below.



How It Works

Step One: Applying for a Grant

1. Applicant submits preliminary application to the Redevelopment Agency, including:
 - Initial project description
 - Signature of property and business owner(s)
 - Copy of existing leases
2. Agency grants preliminary project approval.

Step Two: Designing the Project

1. Applicant, Agency Staff, and Agency approved designer meet and confer to refine and finalize exterior site improvements and project design.
2. Applicant submits final project design proposal, including, at minimum, a concept sketch of proposed project, color palate, and/or samples of material as appropriate.
3. Agency presents project design to Santa Barbara County Board of Architectural Review.
4. Applicant obtains necessary County permits.
5. Final project approval by Agency Executive Director.

Step Three: Building the Project

1. Applicant and Agency finalize a Façade Improvement Program Agreement.
2. Construction begins.
3. Project construction completed within 9 months.
4. Applicant submits project summary and receipts.
5. Property inspected by Agency Staff.
6. Funds disbursed to applicant.

For more information, please contact Abigail Nugent at (805) 884-8082 or anugent@co.santa-barbara.ca.us.

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Preliminary Application

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Email _____

Business Name _____

Business Address _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Property Owner _____

Please briefly describe your proposed improvement(s):

Signature (property owner)

Signature (business owner)

Date _____

Please return this form, along with a copy of the existing lease, to:

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