

Part One: General Information and Application Instructions

1. Before completing the Financial Incentives Program application form, the applicant should contact the Township's Planning and Economic Development support Department at SDG Counties to conduct a pre-consultation meeting. This meeting will address application requirements, program eligibility, proposed scope of work, project timing, supporting documentation requirements etc.

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2. A complete Financial Incentive Program Application must be submitted to and approved by the Township of North Stormont prior to commencing any community improvement work(s).
3. A complete Financial Incentive Program Application must be submitted to and approved by the Township through the entering into of an agreement referenced in Item 4 below, prior to commencing any community improvement works.
4. The Township of North Stormont is not responsible for the costs associated with this application, costs related to the anticipation of an incentive program, or any other costs incurred in relation to any of the programs, including pro-forma financial information, a third-party financial review (contracted by the Committee) audits, etc.
5. Prior to submission, please ensure that the application form is complete and that all required signatures are provided.
6. In order for a Financial Incentive Program Application to be considered complete, the applicant must submit a completed application form, including any supporting documentation, required by the Committee (as determined in the pre-application consultation meeting, or through the Committee's preliminary screening of the application).
7. If there is insufficient space on this form to provide the required information, please provide additional information on a separate page(s) and attach the information with the application form.



8. Please type or print (black or blue ink) the information requested on the application form.
9. The 2nd intake of the 2025 application deadline is **Monday, September 15th, 2025**, at **12 p.m.** Applicants may submit this application via email to Craig Calder calder@northstormont.ca and Karina Belanger kbelanger@sdgcounties.ca or deliver this application in person to:

Township of North Stormont
75A Cockburn Street
Berwick, ON K0C 1G0
Attention: Craig Calder/Karina Belanger

10. All properly completed applications will be considered by the Community Improvement Advisory Committee on a 'first-come, first-served' basis, subject to available funding.
11. Applicants must contact the Building Department prior to commencing any improvements to ensure that proper permits have been issued, if required.



Part Two: Application Type

Please indicate the Financial Incentive Program for which you are applying. Please Check all that apply.

Program 1: Planning and Design	<input type="checkbox"/>
Application for a matching grant of up to 50% of eligible costs to a maximum grant of \$1,000 per commercial property, whichever is less.	

The Planning and Design Program provides financial assistance for the creation of plans, models and renderings prepared by a qualified professional that are required as part of the requirements of other Financial Incentive Programs within the Community Improvement Plan.

Program 2: Façade Improvements	<input type="checkbox"/>
Application for a matching grant of up to 50% of eligible costs to a maximum grant of \$4,000 for the primary façade and \$1,500 for the secondary façade per commercial property, whichever is less.	

The Façade Improvement Program provides financial assistance for commercial property owners to upgrade their existing façade, including, but not limited to restoring of architectural elements, painting of original woodwork and repairs and maintenance costs.

The primary façade is the façade that is visible to the public from the street. The secondary façade is more than one façade that is visible to the public from the street or parking lot.

Program 3: Commercial Signage and Awnings	<input type="checkbox"/>
Application for a matching grant of up to 50% of eligible costs to a maximum grant of \$1,500 per commercial property, whichever is less for signage.	
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A minimum eligible amount of \$500 must be established in order to qualify for the matching grant for signage. Eligible costs for signage could include removal of inappropriate or obsolete signs, installation of new commercial signs and lighting improvements related to signage. For ground mounted signs landscaping around the sign may also be considered as part of the grant application. Awnings are limited to retractable canopies and cannot consume the entire length of the façade.



Program 4: Accessibility



Application for a matching grant of up to 50% of eligible costs to a maximum grant of \$4,000 per commercial property, whichever is less for exterior accessibility improvements.

Applications for a matching grant of up to 50% of eligible costs to a maximum grant of \$2,000 per commercial property, whichever is less for interior accessibility improvements.

Accessibility improvements can include the installation of ramps, lifts or automatic door openers, improvements that bring a building up to code to address health and safety concerns and any improvement that removes barriers for accessibility.

Program 5: Regulatory Compliance



Application for a matching grant of up to 50% of eligible costs to a maximum grant of \$4,000 per commercial property, whichever is less.

The Regulatory Compliance program is intended to assist commercial property owners undertake the necessary renovations and repairs that are required to meet regulatory compliance. This could be compliance with the Building Code, Fire Code or Health Unit Regulations.



Part Three: Applicant Information

1. Registered Owner

Name of Applicant: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

2. Applicant/Agent (if different from the Registered Property Owner)

Name of Applicant: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Please Note:

If the applicant is not the property owner, please ensure that the required authorization is completed and signed by the property owner as provided in this application form. In absence of the authorization of owner form, no further consideration of the application will be made.

3. Please specify to whom all communication will be sent.

Property Owner ☐

Applicant/Agent ☐

4. Provide the names and addresses of any holders of any mortgages, charges or other encumbrances on the subject property.



Part Four: Location/Legal Description of Subject Property

1. **Property Address:** _____
2. **Legal Description of Property:** _____
3. **Roll Number:** _____
4. **Are there any easements or restrictive covenants affecting the subject property?**

Yes ☐

No ☐

If yes, describe the easement or covenants and its effects:

5. **Describe the present use(s) of the subject property:**



Part 5: Describe Your Improvement Project

- 1. Please provide a detailed description of your proposed improvement project as it relates to the incentive programs that are offered through the Township.**

Please attach any additional pages that relate to the description of your project.

Please attach photos of the existing building.

- 2. Has an application for planning approval and/or building permit, and any additional required permits related to the community improvement works, as described above, been submitted to the Township to date?**

Yes ☐

No ☐

- 3. Have the necessary planning approval and/or building permit and any additional require permits related to the community improvements works been received or authorized to date?**

Yes ☐

No ☐

- 4. Describe the total anticipated costs associated with the proposed community improvement works.**

These costs must be supported by at least two cost estimates (quotes) for eligible work provided by licensed contractors and attached to this application. Two cost estimates (quotes) for materials are required if the applicant is undertaking the proposed work with their own labour. Please attach additional pages if required.

Proposed Property Improvement:		
Supplier	Cost	Lowest
	TOTAL	

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Part 6: Supporting Material

In order for this application to be considered complete the application must be accompanied by all of the supporting material required by the Community Improvement Advisory Committee, which includes, but is not limited to:

- Photographs of the existing building condition;
- A site plan and/or professional design study/architectural drawings;
- Specification of the proposed works, including a work plan for the improvements and construction drawings; and
- Two cost estimates for eligible work provided by a licensed contractor or material costs.

Submission requirements will be confirmed with the applicant by staff at the time of the pre-submission consultation meeting. If additional supporting material or documentation is required or becomes necessary during the processing of this application, the applicant will be contacted and informed prior to this application proceeding.

Part 7: Freedom of Information

For the purposes of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, I authorize and consent to the use of or the disclosure to any person or public body any information that is collected under the authority of the Planning Act for the purpose of processing this application.

Owner Signature: _____ Date: _____

