

Core Area Business Assistance Program



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Grants to support conceptual designs or construction for internal and external building improvements.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Be located within Core TIF Area (see map on back)
- Be located on a site with an existing or planned ground floor commercial use.
- Business tenancy must be demonstrated (through ownership, lease, or Letter of Intent)
- Proposed improvements must comply with applicable City of Bend standards
- Applicant must be building owner or tenant with owner authorization

Preferred projects will:

- Improve the experience of customers and/or people walking, biking, rolling, and/or using transit, and aesthetics of the district/area
- Improve opportunity for customer facing business success
- Last 10 or more years
- Be located in the Bend Central District or within two blocks of other planned investments
- Support undercapitalized businesses or businesses who are owned by BIPOC, Woman, LGBTQIAS2+,
 Veteran, Person with disability, non English speaking, etc.

\$100,000 available annually

Call for Projects (First application cycle) to open in Summer 2023

Design Assistance

0% match requirement Selected applicants will be able to utilize City of Bend hired firms to develop a bidready design concept and cost estimate for desired improvements to their site

Construction Assistance
Max grant: up to \$50,000
Match Requirements:

Grant	Match
Award	Requirement
<\$10,000	0% match
\$10,001-	25% match
\$25,000	
>\$25,000	50% match

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Learn more at www.bendoregon.gov/government/departments/economic-development/core-area-business-assistance-program

