

# Residential Repair Program

**Purpose:** The Franklin Development Corporation's ("FDC") Residential Repair Program ("RRP") is a cooperative community project developed to encourage and aid the rehabilitation/renovation of historic and/or underutilized homes and buildings located within the Integrated Economic Development Area of historic Franklin.

**Plan:** The Residential Repair Program is limited to residential structures located within the Integrated Economic Development Area. Program funds may be used for exterior property renovation and essential interior repairs. The Corporation proposes to partner with local sources as much as possible to complete each project. Projects must adhere to the Corporation's architectural design guidelines.

Parameters: Approved applications will receive a maximum sum of \$35,000, provided the program funds make up no more than 50% of the total market value of the improved property. The minimum program funds awarded is \$5,000, and the amount of the funds that are forgivable for owner occupied households will be directly proportional to the attached income limit documentation system (Exhibit A). Depending on the household income for owner occupied residences, 50% to 100% of the program funds will be in the form of a grant. If the program funds are not 100% forgiven based on household income, that portion of the program funds will be in the form of a low-interest loan, repaid to the FDC over 7 years. Households must be income qualified based on household size. Household income cannot be above the 100% Area Median Income category. Property owners that apply for rental properties are eligible for 25% of the program funds to be forgiven, and the tenant's household income must be at or below the area median income. Income shall be based on the occupant of the property. Income will be verified using the adjusted gross income reported through the most recent year's tax return. A copy of the current lease will also be required if the property is not owner occupied. In the case of a multi-unit property, a minimum of 50% of the occupants must meet the income limits.

**Underwriting Criteria:** If any portion of the program funds are required to be repaid, the maximum Debt/Income limit will be 50% (gross) provided credit score is 640 or above; 40% for borrowers with a credit score between 550-639. For applicants with credit scores below 550, an alternative program will be considered. The loan will have an interest rate of 4.0%. A loan period will not exceed seven (7) years. There will be no penalty for early repayment.

Projects should be complete within 9 months of loan closing. Loan payments (if applicable) will begin once the project is complete and all draws have been made. No monthly loan payments are due **and no interest will be accrued** until after the completion of the project. The borrower will provide security as deemed necessary by the Loan Committee. Loans will not be made to lessees, only to the owners of properties. Property owners are only eligible for one residential loan at a time. Property owners only receive the grant percentage on their first residential loan. Subsequent loans will not have any portion forgiven, regardless of income. In exchange for grant funds and/or financing, the applicant agrees to choose from a list of contractors approved by the FDC. Applicants also agree to comply with architectural design guidelines adopted by the Franklin Development Corporation. Applicants will submit project plans for approval by the FDC and Discover Downtown Franklin's Design Committee to ensure compliance with architectural design guidelines prior to project approval if necessary.

## **Eligibility Requirements:**

Only work begun after approval by the FDC board will be eligible for a grant/loan.
All work must comply with the Architectural Design Guidelines as adopted by the Franklin Development Corporation.
The project cost must exceed \$5,000 to be considered for a grant/loan.
The property must be used for residential purposes. Mixed use properties and 3+ residential units will be considered for the Commercial Façade Matching Grant and Commercial Revolving Loan Programs.
The property must be located within or immediately adjacent to the eligible area, as defined by the FDC board. Please verify eligibility with FDC staff before applying.
Routine maintenance such as painting, masonry, fencing, and lighting has to be part of a larger renovation project.
If a property is vacant or contributing to a blighting effect on the area or neighborhood, it will take priority over other projects.
If a property is on a major thoroughfare it will take priority over other projects.
Applications that demonstrate major historical restoration will take precedence over smaller projects.
Applicants should demonstrate the ability to increase the quality of materials used in the project through the assistance of this program.
Projects with a larger total private investment being made in the entire property will be given higher consideration.
Applications shall demonstrate how this program will deliver a higher quality project than otherwise possible.
Projects will be funded in order of priority as compared to other applications received and based on current program funding available. Projects that meet all eligibility requirements will not automatically receive funding.

<u>Please Note:</u> The FDC Board reserves the right to fund all or part of an application based on eligibility requirements.

### **Eligible and Ineligible Activities:**

Project funds shall only be used for permanent improvements that will add value to the property.

Design Committee Review approval is required. Types of activities that are eligible through the Residential Repair Program include the following:

- Windows and doors
- Roof repair or replacement
- Porch repairs
- Foundation repairs/replacement
- Handicap ramps

The types of activities not eligible for the Residential Repair Program include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Interior non-essential remodeling
- Property acquisition
- Furniture and fixtures
- Refinancing of any current debt
- Property tax payments

### **Partners:**

The Franklin Development Corporation (FDC) will maintain an approved list of partners that applicants may choose from to complete the project. Approved partners will know and understand the architectural design guidelines and will be able to assist applicants in preparing plans to be submitted to FDC for approval. All contractors, historic preservation groups, and developers are welcome to submit qualifications to FDC for consideration as an approved partner. Local partners will be given greater consideration. A list of qualification criteria with point values will be supplied by the FDC. An applicant for the Approved Contractor List must score 95 out of a possible 120 points to be accepted. Program participants who want to use a contractor not listed on the Approved Contractor List may ask the FDC to consider that contractor for acceptance to the Approved Contractor List. Applicants who can demonstrate ability may complete their project on their own.

#### **Guidelines:**

- Applicants must be located in the Integrated Economic Development Area, with special emphasis being placed on East and West Jefferson Street, King Street, Monroe Street, Madison Street, East and West Court Streets, and North and South Main Street.
- Applicants can apply for up to \$35,000.
- 50%-100% of the program funds will be forgiven as a matching grant, based on income qualification.
- Loans can be amortized for up to 7 years. There is no prepayment penalty.
- The interest rate is fixed at 4%.
- Applicant is responsible for obtaining necessary permits and following all codes and standards held for the buildings in the district, and shall provide proof of compliance when necessary.

### **Application Process:**

- Applicant meets with the Design Review Committee on-site to discuss the specifics of the project.
- Completed application with all required financial information is received. The following items must be submitted with your application in order to be considered complete: (1) applicants most recent year's personal tax return; (2) occupants most recent year's personal tax return (if applicable); (3) most recent pay stub; (4) proof of homeowner's insurance; (5) project description and cost estimates from contractors and/or suppliers.
- Application receives Design Review Committee approval **prior** to start of construction.
- After approval of the project design, the FDC Loan and Grant Committee approves or denies the application. Applications will be accepted on a monthly basis. Please consult FDC staff for application deadlines.
- After application approval, a commitment letter is issued to the applicant outlining the terms and condition of the program funds.
- Signed commitment letter is returned to the FDC.
- Once all necessary documentation is received, the applicant is contacted and the loan is closed (if required). There is a \$150 closing fee made payable to the Franklin Development Corporation at the time of closing.
- The first draw will not be issued until proof of all necessary permits have been obtained. Draw requests are made as the project progresses. Checks will be made directly to the contractor and/or supplier with written approval from the applicant. Checks will be made out for the exact amount of each invoice and/or receipt. If the applicant chooses to pay the contractor and/or supplier and request reimbursement from the FDC, proof of payment and a copy of the invoice must be submitted with each draw request.
- Once the project is complete and all draw requests have been made, the final exact total project amount is sent to Horizon Bank to begin repayment. No monthly loan payments are due until after the completion of the project. Projects that are not complete within 9 months require further approval by the Board.
- Borrower agrees to maintain the property in its improved condition.

The following types of properties are **not eligible** for the Residential Repair Program:

- Tax-delinquent properties
- Property whose owner has any other tax-delinquent property
- Property in litigation
- Properties not located within the Integrated Economic Development Area
- Property whose intended use does not comply with the City of Franklin's zoning ordinances
- Properties known to have environmentally contaminated soil
- Properties whose owner has ANY unresolved municipal code violations within the City of Franklin

# Residential Repair Program Application (Please print clearly or type)

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name of individual(s) applying for funding:									
Property Address:									
Home Address (if different):									
Business Phone: Cell Phone: Email: Home Phone:									
BUILDING/SITE INFORMATION									
Building/Site Owners Name:									
Building Address:									
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PROJECT BUDGET Indicate what funds will be used for. Specify amounts for each line suppliers, contractors, etc., must be attached. Attach additional page									
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Total Estimated Cost of Improvements: \$\\_\$

Amount Requested from the Repair Program: Less Matching Grant: Grant is 50-100% of program amount Total Loan to be Repaid:	\$ \$ \$
Planned date to begin repairs:	
Estimated length of construction:	
Contractor Name(s):	
PLEASE ATTACH RENDERINGS/WORKING DRAWINGS	TO THIS APPLICATION.
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<b>REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION:</b> The following items must be completed and submitted with your approval for the Residential Repair Program:	pplication in order to be considered
<ul> <li>□ Most Recent Year's Personal Tax Return</li> <li>□ Most Recent Year's Personal Tax Return for Occupant (If</li> <li>□ Most Recent Pay Stub (If Employed)</li> <li>□ Proof of Homeowner's Insurance</li> <li>□ Project Description and Cost Estimates from Contractors/S</li> </ul>	,
Applicant's Signature:	Date:
Co-Applicant Signature:	Date:

Contact Krista Linke with any questions you may have regarding this application. Return the completed application and financial information directly to:

Krista Linke
Franklin Development Corporation
70 E. Monroe Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor
Franklin, IN 46131
(317) 736-3631
klinke@franklin.in.gov
www.FranklinDevelopmentCorporation.org

# Residential Repair Program Personal Financial Statement & Credit Application

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## **EXHIBIT A**

# Income Limits Documentation System Income Limits Summary

Income Limit Category	Percentage Forgiven	1 person household	2 person household	3 person household	4 person household	5 person household	6 person household	7 person household	8 person household
Area Median Income (100%)	50%	\$72,100	\$82,400	\$92,700	\$102,900	\$111,200	\$119,400	\$127,600	\$135,900
Area Low Median Income (80%)	70%	\$57,650	\$65,850	\$74,100	\$82,300	\$88,900	\$95,500	\$102,100	\$108,650
Area Very Low Income (50%)	100%	\$36,050	\$41,200	\$46,350	\$51,450	\$55,600	\$59,700	\$63,800	\$67,950

Owners of rental properties may qualify based on tenant's income. Twenty-five percent of loans awarded for rental properties will be forgiven.

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### 2025 Calendar of Meeting Dates

Application Deadline 4:00pm	Site Visits 3:00 - 5:00pm	Loan & Grant Committee 3:00pm	Board Meetings 9:00am
Friday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Wednesday
January 31, 2025	February 11, 2025	February 19, 2025	February 26, 2025
April 4, 2025	April 8, 2025	April 16, 2025	April 23, 2025
May 30, 2025	June 10, 2025	June 18, 2025	June 25, 2025
August 1, 2025	August 12, 2025	August 20, 2025	August 27, 2025
October 3, 2025	October 14, 2025	October 15, 2025	October 22, 2025
November 7, 2025	November 11, 2025	December 3, 2025*	December 10, 2025*

Applications are due by 4:00pm on the dates listed in the first column above. Applications should be submitted to the Franklin Development Corporation, Attention Krista Linke. The Franklin Development Corporation office is located on the third floor of City Hall. 70 E. Monroe Street. Franklin, Indiana 46131.

The Discover Downtown Franklin Design Committee will lead site visits on a bi-monthly basis on the dates listed in the second column above. The Design Committee will schedule a specific time to meet on-site with potential applicants to review the scope of the proposed project.

The Franklin Development Corporation Loan and Grant Committee meets on the dates listed in the 3rd column above. The Loan and Grant Committee meets at 3:00pm on the third floor of City Hall, 70 E. Monroe Street, Franklin IN 46131.

Franklin Development Corporation Board Meets on the dates listed above in the 4th column. The Board meets at 9:00am on the first floor of City Hall, Council Chambers, 70 E. Monroe Street, Franklin, Indiana 46131.

Property Recovery Task Force meets at 9:00am at Main & Madison (upstairs) on the first Wednesday of each month.

Awareness Committee meets at 9:00am at Main and Madison (upstairs) on the third Thursday of every other month.

Finance Committee meets as needed for the budget, tax return, and audit.

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates a variation from the regular monthly meeting date.