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## **2007 FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT GRANT**

- Purpose:** To encourage aesthetic improvements and the preservation of historic buildings by offering financial incentives to maintain, repair and improve the physical appearance of the exterior of buildings in Corning's Gaffer District.
- Eligibility:** All businesses and property owners within the boundaries of Corning's Gaffer District, otherwise known as the BID, are eligible façade improvements completed in 2007.
- Amounts:** A matching grant of between **\$250.00 and \$500.00** for exterior improvements is available to all businesses and property owners. Proof of payment must be submitted to the attention of Elise Johnson-Schmidt at Market Street Restoration Agency (Gaffer District Offices) with a copy of the contractor's invoice to receive payment. A listed check # or signed and dated invoice showing paid is acceptable as proof of payment.
- Stipulations:** The work for all eligible projects must be reviewed by **Market Street Restoration Agency** prior to commencement of work for grant approval. Free design services and technical assistance are available to interested business and building owners.
- Eligible Work:** Paint; window repair; repair/replacement of existing awnings; visual improvements; repointing; and cornice repair on the front, rear, or side (of corner buildings). These eligible tasks may be undertaken on the first or upper floors of the building exterior. **EXCLUSIONS:** Signs, window washing, day to day maintenance and window treatments.
- Timeline:** Submit scope of work with MSRA at least two weeks prior to commencement of work. Projects must be completed in 2007.
- Contact Elise Johnson-Schmidt, Market Street Restoration Agency, with questions; 937-6292 x103**