



BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT GRANT

Funded by the Donald E. Nielsen Foundation



- This is a matching grant for business assistance. Interior/Exterior/Equipment improvements to Cuming County businesses
- This grant is REIMBURSEMENT ONLY. Once we have received proof of payment, we will process the approved application for reimbursement. **(No projects should be started or completed until after grant approval is made)**
- The initial application must be submitted correctly to be considered. (All quotes, verifications attached)
- Currently the grant pool funds are limited, the funds will be distributed and approved on a first-come, first serve basis. This is the second round of the B.I.G. Program
- Maximum Grant match amount is set at \$2,500. (Special cases must be reviewed by CCEDB/County Board)
- For more grant award information please contact the CCED Director in the Cuming County Courthouse.
- No application fee is required for this round of funding.
- **This round of funding starts December 1, 2015 and ends January 14, 2016**
(Completed Applications must be submitted by January 14th at 4:30 p.m. to be considered for this round.)



Business Applicant's Name and Contact Information

Date of Submission _____

Company Name _____ Date Established: _____

Taxpayer ID Number _____

Type of Company/Organization:

- LLC
- LLP
- Partnership
- S Corporation
- C Corporation
- Sole Proprietorship

Contact Person: _____ Title _____

Contact Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____ Website _____

Business Location

Company Mailing Address: _____

Project Address: _____



Ownership/Management Information

(Owner(s), officer(s), director(s), & shareholder(s) who own 20% or more shares of the company)*

Name	Title	% Ownership

X _____

Authorized Signature

Print Name

Title

Date

X _____

Authorized Signature

Print Name

Title

Date

Face Amount and Terms Requested

Amount of Grant: _____ Use of Funds: _____

*You will receive payment reimbursement only following approval and proof of payment.



Anticipated Uses and Sources of All Project Funds

Sources include the grant you are requesting from CCED, plus any other financing that will go into the project, including but not limited to bank financing and owner cash. Uses include the façade improvements and any other improvement that is above and beyond what CCED will be funding. The total sources must equal the total uses.

Source(s)	Amount(s)	Use(s)	Amount(\$)
Total:		Total:	

Explanation of need:

Briefly describe your project. Why should CCED approve this application? Describe your long term commitment as a business owner in Cuming County.



General Improvement Grant Agreement Form

Please return complete necessary attachments and signature to Cuming County Economic Development, 200 S. Lincoln St., PO Box 17., West Point, NE 68788. If you have any application questions, please contact Garry Clark or Kelly Gentrup at 402-372-6001.

I have met with the Cuming County Economic Development Executive Director, and I fully understand the Business Improvement Grant Procedures. I intend to use this grant program for the aforementioned renovation/equipment projects. I have not received, nor will I receive insurance monies for this project.

I understand that if I am given a Business Improvement Grant by the Cuming County Economic Development, any deviation from the approved project may result in immediate partial payment or payment in full to CCED, Inc.. If there is any alteration on the approved project for any reason within one (1) year from construction, I may be required to pay Cuming County immediately for the full amount of this grant.

Business/Organization Name

Applicant's Signature

Date

Building Owner's Signature (*If different from applicant)

Date

Executive Director Approval

Date



Business Improvement Grant Checklist

Use this form as a checklist to follow all steps needed to complete the B.I.G. application to receive approval.

- Meet with the Executive Director to determine eligibility and to walk through the Business Improvement Grant Application and instructions.
- Meet with the Village/City to check if work may involve a sign permit, or for any building permits.
- Completely fill out and sign the grant Application, Assurances Statement.
- Return completed application and agreement form with required attachments (Quotes/Designs) no later than January 14, 2016 to Cuming County Economic Development 200 S. Lincoln St., West Point. 402-372-6001.
- Once written notification is received of approval construction may commence. Work must commence within thirty (30) days of approval and completed within one hundred twenty (120) days.
- Upon completion of the project, furnish before and after photographs of the improvements to Cuming County Economic Development. And schedule time to formally receive check/photo presentation.