

BUSINESS SAFETY & SECURITY PROGRAM

Overview

The Business Safety & Security Program provides grant funding to help business owners create or update safety features on the business property. Goals of this program are to create safe environments for business owners and their customers and to reduce calls for service.

Guidelines

- This is a matching grant award with a maximum amount of \$10,000 and will not exceed the project amount. The contribution of the applicant is required to match the grant award.
- Businesses may apply no more than once a year per project and will not receive more than \$10,000 maximum for all projects combined within the current year.
- Reimbursement is only valid for costs expended within the year of the application; expenditures exceeding allowable amount will not be carried forward to the next year.
- Projects must meet all permitting requirements and receive a certificate of occupancy or certification of completion before reimbursement will be made.
- Business Safety and Security Program Grants are awarded as funding allows. Qualified applications received will be scored based on adherence to project criteria and overall positive impact to the business and community.

Process

- Complete application online .
- Application require a project budget with three qualified estimates for construction improvements.
- Applications without a budget or estimates will not be considered.
- Upon completion of grant project, submit all project-related receipts, invoices and supporting payment documentation to Economic Development staff within 30 days.
- Schedule an on-site project walk-through with staff.
- Await approval and reimbursement, usually 3-4 weeks.

Applications will be accepted beginning May 1 and will close on June 1, 2023. Selection will be based on project readiness, project impact on business operations and overall public benefit.

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Requirements and Eligibility

Business Eligibility

- Business must be located in a zone district that allows commercial uses.
- Business must have all necessary licenses to operate and be in good standing.
- Project must comply with existing zoning.
- Individual centers and multi-tenant centers are eligible.

Project Eligibility

- Applicant must go through a Safety and Security Assessment with Lakewood Police Department or authorized safety provider or copies of police report.
- Examples include but are not limited to: lighting, alarms, cameras, windows, entrance doors and mirrors or any improvements allowing law enforcement to more efficiently and effectively respond to public safety issues.
- Program will not reimburse for anything that does not stay with the property (wages, operating costs, cash registers, tables, etc.).

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Business Name:

Business Address:

Contact Person:

Phone and Email:

Business License #:

Number of Employees:

Years in Business in Lakewood:

Description of project and timeframe:

Security Assessment with Lakewood Police Department or authorized safety provider or copies of police report:

Budget for project and grant request amount:
Please attach budget to application.

Three quotes for the project (attached):

Before Pictures of the Project:

How will this project positively impact your business and the Lakewood community?

What do you hope to gain out of this investment?