



STOREFRONT IMPROVEMENT APPLICATION

FUNDED BY: AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA)



WHO?



East Providence's Storefront Improvement Program is designed to help small business owners hit hard by the Pandemic. The U.S. Treasury has identified these business areas as those most "disproportionately impacted:"

- Food Services,
- Personal Care Services,
- Entertainment,
- Arts,
- Recreation, and
- Accommodation.



WHAT?



- Signs and awnings;
- Exterior lighting;
- Painting;
- ADA-compliant entryways;
- Window replacement and window framing;
- Replacement or restoration of original architectural details;
- New storefront construction within an existing building;
- Interior improvements to enhance window displays (lighting, etc.).

WHERE?



Businesses located in these census tracts will have higher priority for funding, per ARPA and the U.S. Treasury:

- 103
- 104
- 106
- 102
- 105.01

WHEN?



Hopeful rollout in September with the application remaining open until DECEMBER 31, 2024.

HOW MUCH?



For grant requests over \$10,000, applicants are required to provide a 25% match of the amount over \$10,000. Grant amounts up to \$10,000 do not require a match.

