



Downtown Community Event Grant



PURPOSE & DESCRIPTION

The purpose of this program is to stimulate community involvement in Downtown Monroe. Grant funds are an incentive for groups and individuals to hold events in our historic downtown for the community at large.

The Monroe Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Community Event Match will provide a 50/50 investment match ratio up to a maximum of \$250 per event, as a reimbursement once pre-approved events are completed.

ELIGIBILITY

The program will be open to all community members. Events must take place within the DDA boundaries, must be open to the public, and the profits must benefit downtown development or another community non-profit. Once available funds are pledged, no more applications will be accepted. Monroe DDA will review the grant program each year to determine if sufficient funding is available to continue accepting grant applications.

EXAMPLES OF EVENTS

- Outdoor concert
- Family Festival
- Movie night
- Craft fair

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications will be coordinated by Mainstreet/DDA Executive Director. The DDA board will determine grant awards based on benefit to downtown and available funds.

The full process includes:

- A completed application
- Event description
- Proper permits from Code Department for road closings/peddlers permits (if applicable)
- Review/audit of event
- Provide copies of paid receipts to DDA within 30 days of event
- Reimbursement of 50% for event expenses up to a maximum of \$250
- Donation of a portion of event proceed to downtown development or local non-profit

APPLICATION FOR EVENT GRANT

EVENT NAME: _____

LOCATION OF EVENT: _____

EVENT DATE: _____

BENEFITTING ORGANIZATION: _____

CONTACT NAME: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

EMAIL: _____

Please attach a brief description of proposed event. (Note: to receive payment, event must take place as described)

ESTIMATED COST: _____

GRANT MONEY APPLYING FOR: _____

I understand that the incentive match must be used for the event described in this application and that the event must benefit downtown development or a local non-profit before the payment will be considered.

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

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CHECKLIST

- Application is complete
- Event Description is attached
- Budget summary/cost estimate is attached
- Letter of consent from property owner (if needed)
- City permits applied for (if applicable)
- Documentation of gift to benefitting organization