

2022 Brockton Accessibility Improvement Grant

Purpose

To cover a portion of the costs of improving the accessibility of properties within Brockton to remove interior and exterior barriers to the public and comply with provincial accessibility laws and standards, with the aim of helping to make Brockton a community for people of all ages and abilities.

It is intended that any improvements considered under this program will meet or exceed the requirements of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act and the Ontario Building Code.

Accessibility projects can include the installation of ramps, elevators, lifts, automatic door openers, or any other improvements that improve accessibility and remove barriers, as approved by the Municipality.

Designing for accessibility not only helps people with disabilities, it also improves access for seniors, families travelling with young children, delivery drivers, patrons and other people.

Eligible Costs

- Installation of visual fire alarms in multi-unit buildings;
- Improvements to barrier-free accessibility such as ramps, power-door operators, elevator access, lever door handles, tactile walking strip indicators, and other devices
- Upgrades to restrooms to make barrier-free
- Fees for a professional audit to determine accessibility improvements;
- Other improvements, at the discretion of the plan administrator, to enhance the accessibility of a commercial or public building.

Program Funding

- Up to 50% of eligible costs, or \$2,000, whichever is less, upon successful completion of an accessibility improvement project within the CIP area

Eligibility Criteria

- Applicants may be the registered owners, assessed owners and tenants of lands and buildings, and any person to whom such an owner or tenant has assigned the rights for the subject property;
- Municipal staff will review property tax records. Property owners who are in arrears of property taxes, local improvement charges or any other municipal accounts receivable on the subject property are not eligible to receive the grant;
- Outstanding work orders (building, fire, zoning, etc.) must be satisfied prior to grant approval;
- The program is open to owners of commercial, mixed-use, multi-residential or institutional properties;
- Municipal contributions will be issued only after the project is completed and inspected by Municipal staff, and original receipts for payment to third parties for the work completed are received from the applicant
- Proposed works must comply with all applicable By-Laws, codes and guidelines

- Any work commenced prior to the project receiving approval from the Municipality may be disqualified from receiving funding
- Applicants must source goods and services locally, where possible