

**CITY OF OCALA – COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
WEST OCALA REDEVELOPMENT AREA
RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY IMPROVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM**

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Purpose	
To encourage residents of single-family and duplex homes within designated neighborhoods in the West Ocala CRA to make improvements to their properties, thereby reducing blighted conditions and improving the aesthetics of the community.	
Plan Consistency	
<i>Priority #4: Solve homeless problem.</i>	
<i>Priority #5: Create means for residential growth to include more owner-occupied Residents.</i>	
Eligible Areas	Neighborhoods within the West Ocala CRA subarea.
Eligible Properties	Single family and duplex homes within the West Ocala CRA subarea. This includes owner occupied and rental units.
Ineligible Properties	Properties with active code enforcement case or code enforcement liens; Tax delinquent property; property in litigation; property in condemnation or receivership; property or tenants with outstanding financial obligations to City require City Council approval.
Eligible applicant	Property owner
Eligible work	Only work begun after approval by the CRA Board will be eligible for a grant. Work in progress or performed before approval will not be eligible. <u>Project work elements are:</u> 1. Exterior painting – colors must be approved by Committee; Pressure washing and other work to repair and prep for painting. 2. Repair and replacement of windows, doors (Exterior improvements only). 3. Demolition of irreparable damaged houses or structures for the construction affordable housing. 4. New landscaping area visible from the street/sidewalk (Including Removal of hazardous trees.) 5. Fencing. 6. Reroofing. 7. Weatherization. 8. New construction. 9. Conversion from septic system to City sanitary sewer service.
Maximum Grant	\$20,000 (Reimbursement)
Required Match	City (75%) – Applicant (25%) <i>To receive the maximum grant of \$20,000, the project cost for eligible work must be at least \$26,666.</i>