

Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA)

# **CRA Subarea: East Ocala**

**Program Summary** 

# **Commercial Building Improvement Grant**

## **ELIGIBLE AREA**

Designated Gateway Corridors (Major Roadways) in East Ocala Redevelopment Area as shown on attached map.

#### ELIGIBLE APPLICANT

Property Owner, or business owner with property owner's approval.

## **ELIGIBLE PROPERTIES**

- Taxable ad valorem properties property taxes must be paid up to date.
- Property must be used for business, i.e., retail, office, and manufacturing.
- Existing businesses must have an active Business Tax Receipt.
- Eligible zoning districts: B–Business; O-Office; RO Residential Office, FBC Form Based Code, SC-Shopping Center, M-Manufacturing.
- Existing commercial buildings only; not for new construction.

#### **ELIGIBLE & PRIORITY WORK**

Work elements in order of priority are:

- Vacant building being converted to active use.
- New signs following design guidelines; including removal of existing inappropriate signs.
- Creative incorporation of public murals on one street frontage.
- Windows, doors, awnings and façade enhancements.
- Security & Safety lighting (Exterior)
- Repainting (Exterior)
- New landscaping areas.
- Parking lot pavement resurfacing or resealing and restriping.

#### **MAXIMUM GRANT**

**\$50,000** (Final project costs must be more than \$83,335 to receive maximum amount.)

# **REQUIRED MATCH**

CRA (60%) – Applicant (40%)