



Anaconda Deer Lodge County
Urban Renewal Agency

Downtown TIF Grant Application

The Anaconda-Deer Lodge County (A-DLC) Urban Renewal Agency (URA) District Board was created by A-DLC Ordinance No. 260 on June 19th 2020 in order to supervise the planning and management of the A-DLC Downtown Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District. The overall objective of the A-DLC Urban Renewal Agency District Board is to eliminate conditions that are detrimental to the Downtown Tax Increment Finance District and the overall economic health of the community.

The Urban Renewal Agency (URA) Board will review applications as needed until funds have been exhausted each year. The URA Board Administrator may contact the applicant with questions from the URA Board or requests for more information. Applicants will be notified of their award status within 30 days of submission. Applicants are highly encouraged to attend the meeting in person.

Completed applications can be submitted to the Urban Renewal Agency Board Administrator at:

Urban Renewal Agency or adam@discoveranaconda.com
C/O Adam Vauthier
118 East 7th Street, 3rd Floor
Anaconda, MT 59711

Projects cannot be started prior to board approval of application.

Application Check List

- Applicant Information
- Project Information/Narratives
- Budget Narratives
- Required Attachments:
 - Copy of Anaconda-Deer Lodge County business license
 - Proof of ownership of the building of concern. Tenants under lease must submit a copy of the lease terms, contact information, and a signed letter from the building owner approving the proposed project.
 - Proof of Insurance on the building of concern.
 - Project timeline/schedule
 - At least one bid.
- Additional Attachments (optional)
- Signed Authorization Form





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Applicant Information

Date of Application: _____

Name of Business	Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
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Applicant First Name	Applicant Last Name	Phone	Email
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Building Owner First Name	Building Owner Last Name	Phone	Email
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Has the applicant applied for Downtown TIF Funding before? Yes No

Type of Business? Sole Proprietorship Partnership Corporation

Does the owner have a current Anaconda-Deer Lodge County Business License? Yes No

Are the building's taxes currently paid in full? Yes No

Employer's Federal Identification Number: _____

Employer's State Identification Number: _____

Has the applicant or any individual/entity affiliated with the proposed project been adjudged bankrupt (voluntarily or involuntarily) within the past 10 years? Yes No





Grant Category

There are four (4) categories of Downtown TIF Grants. Applicants may seek funding for multiple categories; however, this requires a completely separate application for each project/category. The four (4) grant categories are as follows:

1. Façade Improvement: exterior painting, parapet wall repair, awnings repair/installation, entry door/window improvements, sidewall/stucco repair, cleaning/coating of masonry buildings, signs, and storefront restoration or parking lots.
2. Structural Improvement: code improvements (necessary to bring a building up to code or to expand functionality/value), energy improvements, roof repair, and foundation work.
3. Infrastructure: accessing external utilities, sidewalks.
4. Technical Assistance: providing match for professional technical services (i.e. PAR, PER, etc.).

In which category does the proposed project best fit?

- Façade Improvement
- Structural Improvement
- Infrastructure
- Technical Assistance
- Emergency Reimbursement

Project Information

Project Title: _____

Total Project Cost: _____ Downtown TIF Funding Requested: _____

Was the building constructed before 1982? Yes No

Is the building listed on the Montana Historical Landmarks? Yes No

Is the building listed on the National Register of Historic Places? Yes No

Has the Applicant contacted the State Historic Preservation Officer? Yes No

If you checked yes to any of the first three questions above a consultation with the county historic preservation officer is required and a written response must be submitted with this application.





Project Narratives

Thoroughly address each of the questions below. Please try to keep responses to 100 words or less per question. Questions 1 through 5 must be completed by all applicants. For these questions, answers of “n/a” or the like will result in the application being considered incomplete. Attach typed responses after this page in the completed application.

1. Describe the scope of work of the proposed project, and the activities for which TIF funds will be used.
2. Identify the entities (i.e. professional services, contractors, consultants, etc.) involved in completing the proposed project. Have these entities successfully completed similar projects?
3. Describe how the proposed project fits with the goals and objectives of the Downtown TIF District, outlined in the Grant Guidelines.
4. What is the historical significance of the building/business? Is historical architecture present? If so, what planning steps have been taken to ensure the continued historical integrity of the building? **If the building is contributing or on the national historic register, a consult with the local historic preservation office about design is required.**
5. Explain how the proposed project will increase the usability, visual appearance, and taxable value of the building.

Is this a Façade project? Yes No

If you checked No above, please do not respond to questions 6 and 7.

6. Briefly describe the current condition of the building’s exterior.
7. Describe any preliminary architectural and/or engineering reports, relevant to the proposed project, that have been completed to date.

Is this a Structural Improvement project? Yes No

If you checked No above, please do not respond to questions 8 and 9.

8. Briefly describe the current condition of the structure. Is the building structurally sound?
9. Describe any preliminary architectural and/or engineering reports, relevant to the proposed project, that have been completed to date.

Is this a Technical Assistance project?

Yes No

If you checked No above, please do not respond to questions 10 and 11. (on next page).





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10. Describe the assisted business, and the planning efforts that have been previously taken to ensure the longevity and profitability of the business. How long has the business been home-based? Why is the business seeking to relocate within the Downtown TIF District?
11. How was the location within the Downtown TIF chosen? Describe the applicant's process in selecting a downtown location.

Is this an Emergency project reimbursement seeking to relocate a home-based business in the Downtown TIF?

Yes No

If you checked No above, please do not respond to question 12.

12. Why was the project an emergency and could not wait until the next funding round?





Budget Narratives

Attach typed responses thoroughly addressing each of the questions below after this page in the completed application. Please try to keep responses to 100 words or less per question. If a particular question is not applicable, please address why it is not applicable. Answers of “n/a” or the like will result in the application being considered incomplete.

1. How was the total project cost determined? Clearly define the activities to be funded by the proposed project (e.g. contracted services, supplies/equipment, etc.). Are there any ongoing project costs?
2. Clearly identify all funding sources (e.g. grants, loans, private monies, etc.). What is the status of non-TIF funds? How will funding sources be coordinated with each other?
3. If particular sources of funding are not obtained or only partial funding is obtained, how will the applicant proceed?
4. If the proposed project is a component of a larger project, please explain the applicant’s funding strategy to successfully complete the overall project.
5. Explain the financial need of the applicant.

Please provide a Project Budget either in the additional attachments or by utilizing the table below.

Project Budget		
Funding Sources	Amount	Status of Funding (pending or firm)
Downtown TIF		
Applicant		
Other: <i>(name)</i>		
Other: <i>(name)</i>		
Other: <i>(name)</i>		
Total Project Cost:		





Attachments

In addition to any desired additional information you would like to provide, please include the following required attachment(s) with the completed application:

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2. Proof of ownership of the building of concern. Tenants under lease must submit a copy of the lease terms, contact information, and a signed letter from the building owner approving the proposed project.
3. Proof of Insurance on the building of concern.
4. Project timeline/schedule (sample provided)
5. Bids or cost estimates for supplies and/or professional services

Suggested additional attachments include, but are not limited to:

1. Design sketches or schematics of proposed project
2. Current photos of existing conditions related to the proposed project

Authorization

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the information provided in this application and in the attached documents is true and correct.

Name of applicant _____

Signature of applicant _____

Date: _____

