

Program 1: Exterior Universal Accessibility Improvement Program

Program Summary

This program supports eligible exterior building improvements which accommodate universal accessibility.

Available Funding

Eligible applicants can qualify for a rebate of up to 50% of the cost of eligible improvements, to a maximum rebate of \$25,000 for the property.

Criteria to Meet

A property owner or tenant (with the authorization of the property owner) may be eligible for funding under this program if the following criteria are met by the application and/or throughout the duration of the project:

<input type="checkbox"/> The property is located in the eligible area (see Section 3.0) AND
<input type="checkbox"/> The application is received in writing prior to the commencement of work AND
<input type="checkbox"/> The application is supported by professionally prepared drawings to a scale that is approved by the Town, illustrating the nature of proposed work AND
<input type="checkbox"/> The applicant agrees to enter into an agreement with the Town, which may be registered against the title to the subject property and may specify the components of the eligible works and their estimated cost and the anticipated timing for the approved works, including the estimated completion date AND
<input type="checkbox"/> The work being completed shall be in accordance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act AND
<input type="checkbox"/> The applicant agrees that, should their application be approved, no changes to the approved exterior accessibility improvements shall be made for five years without first obtaining Town approval AND
<input type="checkbox"/> To receive the rebate, proof shall be provided that renovations have been completed in compliance with the Ontario Building Code and the terms of any agreements with the Town AND
<input type="checkbox"/> Proof of paid invoices for work undertaken shall be submitted to the Town within one year of the latest invoice date.

Eligible Costs - **The following costs are eligible for Program 1:**

- Installing wheelchair ramps
- Installing new automatic/powered doors
- Installing exterior lifts
- Widening the doorway opening of the primary entrance
- Widening the doorway of the secondary entrance if not feasible to use the primary entrance (rationale required)