

The Gonzales Main Streets seek to improve the image and enhance the economic sustainability of the Gonzales Main Street District (Please see the attached map) by stimulating Historic Preservation through funds provided from the Gonzales Economic Development Corporation. Through Main Street there are four distinct approaches to the treatment of historic properties— preservation, rehabilitation, restoration, and reconstruction—with accompanying guidelines for each. **Grant must follow the guidelines and standards as listed on the below referenced websites**

https://www.thc.texas.gov/preserve/buildings-and-property/standards-and-guidelines https://www.nps.gov/tps/standards.htm

Improvements Covered:

Improvements may include but not limited to:

- 1. Installation of sprinkler systems, compliance with ADA, infrastructure, demolition (of existing structure that can't be restored historically) and framing.
- 2. Replacing or repairing of signage, new signs, renovation, and removal of existing signs and/or preserving ghost signs.
- 3. Improvements to storefronts, including, but not limited to, items such as removing slipcovers, false fronts or non-historic added facades, repainting of replaced mortar joints and brick (if already previously painted), removing paint & restoring it to its natural condition, reconstruction or remodeling to achieve a more historic look, restoring transom windows, replacing/restoring awnings or canopies to their historic state.
- 4. Landscaping (if irrigated and maintained or warranted for one year), parking lot resurfacing, striping, driveway improvement, lighting, electrical, plumbing, fencing and other infrastructure

Grant Reimbursement Details:

The Gonzales Main Street Improvement Grant Program is set up to reimburse property owners, and in some cases tenants, after work is completed. The Main Street Advisory Board will review applications and submit approved applications to Gonzales EDC for final approval. Grants have a cap of \$52,000 in available funds. Applicant must turn in at least two (2) bids for project. All qualified and approved projects will receive a reimbursement **90/10 Capping out at \$52,000.00** (in reimbursement funds) upon meeting all the performance agreement specifications.



Gonzales Main Street District

