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MONACA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LAUNCHES MONACA BUSINESS FAÇADE GRANT PROGRAM TO SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES AND HELP BOOST MONACA BUSINESS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

MONACA, PA (May 11, 2023) – The [Monaca Community Development Corporation](#) (Monaca CDC) is excited to announce the launch of its Monaca Business Façade Grant (MBFG) program. The program was created to encourage the revitalization of business building facades and support owners of Monaca businesses and business properties in their façade improvement efforts.

The Monaca CDC will administer this program in alignment with its mission to help create a vibrant and sustainable community where businesses, individuals, and families can thrive.

The MBFG program was established by a \$50,000 donation from the Borough of Monaca which was sourced from American Rescue Plan Act COVID-19 relief funds received by the Borough. The MBFG program received an additional \$45,000 grant allocation from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, PA Department of Community & Economic Development’s Keystone Communities Program (KCP).

Funds provided by Monaca Borough may be awarded for eligible projects anywhere within Monaca Borough, while funds allocated by the KCP may be awarded for eligible projects within the core downtown Monaca business district.

MBFG awards are provided as reimbursements after project completion. Each award is limited to no more than 50% of the total cost of eligible projects, with a maximum award of \$5,000 per project.

The MBFG application packet, including eligibility criteria and guidelines, can be found at [MonacaCDC.org](#) and questions can be directed to the Monaca CDC via email at info@monacacdc.org.

Monaca Borough Manager, David Kramer, said, *“Monaca Borough Council unanimously voted on the donation to the Monaca CDC’s façade grant program because we have a shared and passionate commitment to the well-being of our community and the success of our businesses. The CDC has consistently created programming that has brought value to our town and we’re honored to help them get this program off the ground. We’re excited to see the transformation it will help create.”*

Kelly Burgos Harper, President of the Monaca CDC, commented, *“We’re thrilled to deliver this level of support for our small businesses and to contribute in a practical and meaningful way to the vibrance, economic health, and sustainability of Monaca. This program has been a goal of ours since day one, and we’re grateful to the Borough of Monaca for helping us reach that goal through their generous contribution; and to the PA DCED’s Keystone Community Program for their significant investment in our community.”*

For more information about Monaca CDC programs and events, follow [Monaca CDC](#) on Facebook or visit monacacdc.org.



Monaca Borough presented \$50,000 donation (sourced from American Rescue Plan Act COVID-19 relief funds received by the Borough) to the Monaca Community Development Corporation for the Monaca Business Façade Grant program. Borough and CDC representatives in the photo include (L-R) Monaca Borough Councilman Justin LaPearle, Monaca Borough Manager Dave Kramer, Monaca CDC Treasurer Keith Poleti, Monaca CDC President Kelly Burgos Harper, Monaca Borough Council President John Booher, Jr, and Monaca Borough Councilman Billy Mitchell.

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About the Monaca Community Development Corporation:

The Monaca Community Development Corporation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization whose mission is to create a vibrant and sustainable community where businesses, families, and individuals thrive!