

Welcome



Greener Business Program Informational Meeting

Tuesday, December 8, 2009, 2 pm
Meeting Rooms B and C



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What Are We Here?



American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)

- Naperville has been awarded \$1,392,200 in Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant Funds .
- A portion has been dedicated to the Greener Business Program

Greener Business Program

- Matching Grant Program
- Revolving Loan Fund

**Potential exists to use both programs in conjunction with one another*

Program Goal

- To assist Naperville businesses to complete energy efficiency retrofit projects that reduce energy consumption and emissions and increase their overall energy efficiency, thereby reducing the City of Naperville's greenhouse gas emissions.

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Matching Grant Program

Matching Grant Program - Overview



Matching Grant Fund

• \$235,000 has been allocated towards the matching grant program providing *matching funds at a rate of \$.50 for every \$1.00 spent towards energy efficiency improvements, up to \$10,000 per business.*

Is My Business Eligible?

- Commercial, office and industrial businesses
 - Building constructed prior to the year 2000
 - Must be located within the municipal boundaries of the City of Naperville
 - Taxing bodies and districts are not eligible for grant funding

How Many Applications will be Accepted?

- Applications accepted through January 28, 2009
- Funding awards will be determined on a competitive basis

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Matching Grant Program – Application Process

- **Optional: Pre-Application Meeting**

- Complete and Submit Application by January 28, 2010, 5 pm
- Applications Reviewed by Staff
- Award Notification by mid-February
- Greener Business Program Agreement by March 1, 2010
- Application Compliance Walk-through
- Building Permit Submittal and Approval
- Letter of Approval and Notice to Proceed Report/Begin Work
- Complete Project/Post Inspection
- Payment of Grant by December 1, 2010
- One Year Follow-up Report

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by city staff

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Program Agreement

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One Year
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Matching Grant Program – Eligible Improvements



Two Types of Incentives:

Standard Incentive

- Energy efficiency improvements or a combination of improvements eligible as noted in Exhibit A of the Application Packet
 - Compliance with *2009 International Energy Conservation Code*
 - Lighting Retrofits
 - ENERGY STAR EQUIPMENT

Custom Incentive

- Energy efficiency improvements not listed as a custom incentive if supported by an energy audit and report
- Energy Audit Required (self or professional audit)

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Matching Grant Program – Eligible Improvements



Ineligible Improvements

- Energy Audit
- Landscape Improvements
- Leased Equipment
- Projects in Progress or Completed
- Project Design and Development, Administration and/or Project Management Costs
- Motor Vehicles
- Training, workshops, communication and/or awareness programs
- Other Improvements that are determined to not increase energy efficiency or reduce greenhouse gas emissions

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Matching Grant Program – Submittal Requirements



- **Grant Application**
- **Written Project Description**
- **Utility Bill History/Usage Worksheets**
 - Summary of energy usage (most recent 12 months)
 - Project energy savings and cost (12 months post improvements)
- **Energy Audit**
 - Standard Incentive: Strongly Encouraged
 - Custom Incentive: Required (not reimbursable)
- **Anticipated Start and Completion Dates**
- **3 Contractor's Estimates**
- **One Year Follow-Up Report (if awarded grant funds)**

SUBMITTAL DEADLINE
JANUARY 28, 2010, 5 pm

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Revolving Loan Fund





Overview

- \$278,400 available for energy efficiency improvements
- 11 loans simultaneously
 - At least 2 new loans each year
- Energy Audit – recommended not required

Eligibility

- Located in Naperville
- < 300 employees
- Pass credit check
- 15% minimum



Ineligible?

Loan Details

- Up to \$25,000
- Interest free
- 3 bids
- Repayable 20% each year for 5 years
- Prevailing wages



Application Process

- Deadline January 28 at 5:00 PM
- Staff review
- Award notification February
- Agreement/Walk-through
- Loan dispersed
- Permits
- Complete project
- Reports/payments



Application

- Disclosures
- Energy usage vs. projected
- Cost vs. projected
- Budget





Questions?

Staff will update the web site FAQ's by Tuesday, December 15, 2009

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Thank You!



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