HOME REMODEL AND REPAIR GRANT INSTRUCTIONS 2024



Ezio Community Development Services, Inc. (ECDS) issues this application to fill a void on the East Side of Joliet, specifically in the Manningdale Neighborhood. We received a donation that will help us launch our homeownership project and we will start by helping homeowners address remodel efforts or maintenance needs to aid with the beautification of the neighborhood.

The grant is targeted to assist Extremely Low to Very Low- Income homeowners. We adhere to the current HUD Area Median Income Limits for Joliet. Income limits range between \$23,600 to \$104,100 depending on the family size. Review the income limits included in the packet to see if your family is eligible to apply.

As a homeowner there are several things you need to know and steps you must take to apply for ECDS' grant. See information below which details the steps needed to submit your application. THE APPLICATION **DEADLINE IS MAY 17, 2024, BY 11:59PM.** Late applications will not be considered for grant funding.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Review all grant documents.
- 2. The income limits document provides information on the maximum income a household can make to be eligible to apply for the grant. (ex: a family of 4 people must make no more than \$55,150 a year)
- 3. Pay the \$25 application fee online at www.eziocdsinc.org/neigborhood and save your receipt to submit with your completed application. Applications without the receipt will be ineligible for a grant consideration.
- 4. The application along with all required documents must be saved in your Google Drive and a link must be emailed to admin@eziocdsinc.org prior to the deadline. (Gmail is a free email account that provides access to Google Drive)
- 5. Create a folder with your FIRST AND LAST NAME (ex: LisaChristian) in Google Drive.
 - a. Grant access to admin@eziocdsinc.org.
 - b. Be sure to restrict access, so that "only people with access can open the link".
 - c. Send an email to admin@eziocdsinc.org with a link to the Google Drive folder.
 - d. Missing or incomplete documents will disqualify applications for grant consideration.

REVIEW PROCESS

- 1. ECDS' Board of Directors will review all qualified applications. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.
- 2. This is a competitive process, and applications are ranked based upon positive impact to the Manningdale neighborhood, estimated scope of work, income limits, and homeowners' ability to invest \$1,000 into their property.
- 3. Due to the anticipated volume of applications, ECDS will inform grant recipients of their award, however, we may not be able to notify all applicants.
- 4. Grant recipients will be notified by June 7, 2024.
- 5. ECDS will schedule a meeting with the grant recipients, discuss next steps, and answer any questions.

HOME REMODEL AND REPAIR GRANT

We want to invest in the Manningdale neighborhood by helping homeowners address remodel efforts or maintenance needs to aid with the beautification of the neighborhood.

REQUIREMENTS

- 1. US Citizens or Legal Permanent Residents.
- 2. Social security number is required.
- 3. Five-year Manningdale residents.
- 4. Must remain in your home for a minimum of 2 years after renovations are completed.
- 5. Must be able to invest \$1,000 into your home.
- 6. Must have filed 2022, and 2023 taxes and will file 2024 taxes.
- 7. Must be current on mortgage and provide verified letter from your mortgage lender.

INCOME LIMITS

The grant is targeted to assist Extremely Low to Low- Income homeowners. We adhere to the current HUD Area Median Income Limits for Joliet. Income limits range between \$23,600 to \$104,100 depending on the family size. Proof of family size and combined household income is required.

GRANT USE

The Home Remodel and Repair Grant funds may be used for, but not limited to, updates of a bathroom, kitchen, light fixtures, flooring and exterior updates as needed. ECDS will approve the project scope and hire a licensed contractor. The grant award will align with the contractor's quote but will not exceed the maximum grant amount. Services outside the project scope and/or above the maximum grant amount will be the responsibility of the homeowner. The remodel and repairs must be completed by December 2, 2024.

MAILING ADDRESS

ECDS, 2364 Essington Rd., #105 Joliet, IL, 60435





DEADLINE:

APPLICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED BY:

MAY 17, 2024

CONTACT:

Boise Walker - admin@eziocdsinc.org WEBSITE: www.eziocdsinc.org



GRANT AMOUNT

Maximum Grant Award: \$25,000

The homeowner must be a resident of the Manningdale neighborhood and must own your home a minimum of 5 years. Proof of ownership is required.

\$25 non-refundable application fee



1 Person

\$23,600 to \$62,800

3 People

\$30,300 to \$80,750

5 People

\$36,580 to \$96,900 2 People

\$26,950 to \$71.800

4 People

\$33,650 to \$89,700

6 People

\$41,960 to \$104,100





Creating Thriving Communities and Changing Lives

Participant Privacy Policy

Ezio Community Development Services, Inc. (ECDS) is committed to respecting the privacy of its participants when information is provided online, by mail, or by other method. We are diligent in our measures taken to protect all participants information and utilize the industry standard safeguards listed below to aid us in our efforts. In addition to these safeguards, ECDS will not sell, share, or trade participants' personal information with any other entity, nor will we send mailings on behalf of other organizations. Participant information will only be shared with the express written permission of the participant.

Ezio Community Development Services, Inc. is a nonprofit organization and our funds come from community support, grant funds, and individual donations. To expand our revitalization efforts, we may be required to provide statistical data and financial impact to acquire additional funds. Examples listed below may include, but not limited to:

- Marketing brochures or newsletters
- Website or digital posts
- Videos and photographs
- Grant applications
- ECDS fundraisers
- Public events
- First names and participant reviews and comments

The success of our program depends on the impact we make within our community. The more families we help, increases our opportunities to garner more financial resources. So, it's imperative that we share our successes, however, we will only share information with the express written permission from our participants.

Thank you,
Boise Walker
President/ Founder
Ezio Community Development Services, Inc.

