***2018 Main Street Challenge Grant applications available***.

Applications for 2018 Main Street Iowa Challenge Grants are now available. Main Street Challenge Grants are for bricks and mortar rehabilitation of buildings within a designated Main Street Iowa district. New construction within the designated district is also eligible for funding. Through an appropriation from the Iowa legislature, Main Street Iowa will be awarding a total of $925,000 in grants of up to $75,000. Grants are available ONLY to designated Main Street Iowa programs across the State of Iowa.

**Main Street Challenge Grant Basic Information:**

Application Deadline: September 21, 2018

Grant announcement (tentative): November 8,2018

Grant Amounts: $15,000-$75,000

Cash Match: 1:1 (Dollar for dollar.) In kind match is encouraged but does NOT count toward the 1:1 cash match requirement.

Project completion date: December 1, 2020 (24 months from award).

ONE application per program/community

Application MUST be submitted by local Main Street program on behalf of selected project.

Grants MUST be submitted via Iowa Grants.

Green Streets criteria are required. For more information or questions regarding [Green Streets](https://www.iowaeconomicdevelopment.com/userdocs/documents/ieda/2017Appx6.pdf) requirements contact Jeff Geerts: jeff.geerts@iowaeda.com or 515-348-6211

More information and details about the Main Street Iowa Challenge Grants can be found [here.](https://www.iowagrants.gov/viewComponent.do?property(documentPk)=1465245270610&property(componentDefPk)=1381762908784&property(componentPk)=1465418959521)

For questions or more information regarding the Main Street Iowa Challenge Grants contact Tim Reinders: tim.reinders@iowaeda.com or 515-348-6181