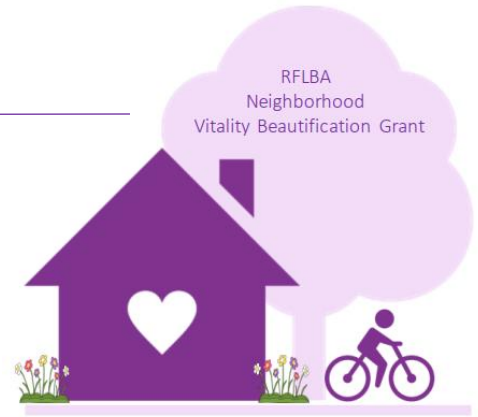


Rome-Floyd Land Bank Authority Neighborhood Vitality Beautification Grant Application & Guidelines



Statement of Purpose & Information: The RFLBA Neighborhood Vitality Beautification Grant is intended to improve the physical appearance and character of the targeted neighborhood by addressing residential disrepair and blight. This program is targeted to owners of residential properties in neighborhoods where the RFLBA is undertaking projects to enhance the physical appearance of their homes, which will in turn bolster property values, leverage additional investment, foster community spirit, and increase pride of place. All grant applications will be approved by the Rome-Floyd Land Bank Authority (hereafter called the Authority). Grant funds will be paid from the Rome-Floyd Land Bank Authority directly to the repair company, not the homeowner. Except as outlined herein, projects must adhere to all applicable City codes and conditions. Only complete applications will be reviewed and approved.

Selection Process: Homes in underappreciated neighborhoods adjacent to RFLBA projects which are owner occupied will take priority. Projects are approved at the discretion of the Authority and can also be selected by the Authority. Only one grant per address will be approved.

Eligibility Guidelines: The homeowner must be the applicant on the application and meet all requirements on the checklist. The home must be in a neighborhood targeted by the RFLBA. The grant request is subject to denial if procedure is not followed.

Eligible Improvements & Projects may include, but are not limited to these exterior repairs:

- ✓ Exterior Painting, including prep
- ✓ Decorative Fencing (not chain-link)
- ✓ Landscaping Improvements
- ✓ Removal/Replacement of unwanted materials
- ✓ Pressure washing of house, garage, driveway, and sidewalks
- ✓ Other Beautification additions as deemed necessary by the Authority

Process: Staff and the RFLBA Housing Development Committee will discuss and review all applications/projects and recommend approval of the Authority. The Authority will vote to approve prior to the start of any project. The Applicant (homeowner) and Staff will obtain all checklist documentation before the start of the project. Only exterior projects approved by the Authority will be funded. Once the project is complete, the grant will be paid directly to the Contractor from the Rome-Floyd Land Bank Authority.

Applicant/Home Owner: _____ Phone: _____

Owner Email: _____

Property/Project Address: _____

Description of Project: _____

(To be completed by staff) Contractor: _____ Phone: _____

Contractor Email: _____

Estimated Project Cost: _____ Estimated Project Start Date: _____

Date Application Received: _____ **Date Application Approved:** _____

Property Information (To be completed by staff):

Address: _____

Is this property zoned residential? ___ Yes ___ No

Is this property occupied? ___ Yes ___ No

Is this property rental-occupied? ___ Yes ___ No

Is this property owner-occupied? ___ Yes ___ No

Is this property listed on the code enforcement list? ___ Yes ___ No

Have any violations already been issued on this property? ___ Yes ___ No

Checklist:

- **Completed & Signed Application**
- **Before Photo of Property**
- **Proof of Ownership-Deed**
- **Copy of Photo ID**
- **Estimate of Work**
- **Building Permit- If Applicable**
- **Final Cost/Invoice**
- **After Photo**
- **Other:** _____

Post-Award Project Timeline: Once approved, projects typically follow the below sequence in order to complete the project and administer funds:

- ✓ Award communicated
- ✓ Pull permits and order materials
- ✓ Begin work
- ✓ Complete project
- ✓ Submit all photos/documentation
- ✓ Grant check submitted

All Applications should be submitted to the Rome-Floyd Land Bank Authority office located at 607 Broad Street, Rome, GA 30161, (706)236-4477.

Affidavit & Signature:

I certify by signing below that I have read and accept the conditions of the RFLBA Neighborhood Vitality Beautification Grant Program guidelines. The information provided is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Owner Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

For Office Use Only: Date Paid: _____ Check #: _____ Staff: _____