

Marshall-Ridley Residential Facade Program

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What's the total amount available? Is this a block grant from HUD?

NNRHA will grant up to \$20,000 maximum per residential structure. This program is being funded by the City of Newport News. There are no federal funds associated with the program.

2. After I email my application, how do I know if my application was received?

You will receive a notification by email indicating that your application has been received.

3. What's the total grant amount from the City of Newport News in TOTAL for everyone, not per home?

The total amount is \$2.1M.

4. Do you need pictures of everything that we would like repaired, and should we attach the photos to our application?

Yes, please attach color photographs of your home, and areas that needs to be improved.

5. How soon should we know about approval once the application is submitted?

It depends on your timeliness of your submission. We'll start notifying applicants of their award once the application has been processed. Due to the volume of applications, it may take up to a year for final approval.

6. Are any of these contractors local and small and/or minority-owned?

Yes, NNRHA's contractor list consists of local, small and minority-owned businesses.

7. Do you need to own the house, and not owe a mortgage to qualify for this program?

You must be the property owner and reside in the home. However, you may have a mortgage as long as it's current.

8. What's the deed restriction? Does this mean, I can't refinance or move from my property?

A deed restriction is placed on property for a five-year period, and is forgiven on a pro rata basis (20% annually) during that period. If you sell your home prior to the end of the 5th year, you may owe the amount remaining from your award.

9. Will all the work be done in this fiscal year, or will the grant program be extended if the work takes longer than a year?

The grant will continue until funds are expended.

10. How can I retrieve the NNRHA Residential Façade Program Grant application?

You may retrieve the application <u>here</u>. Please print the application and fill out all sections of the document. Please remember to submit supporting documentation along with your application. You may drop off the completed application at: Newport News Redevelopment and Housing Authority 227 27th Street Newport News, VA 23607 or you may email your application along with required documentation to <u>intake@nnrha.org</u>

11. How long do you have to live in the house to be approved?

The home must be 15 years old to qualify for the program. The number of years a resident lives in the home is not an eligible factor; however priority is given to those that have lived in their home for 15 years or more.