



# Greater Auburn-Gresham Development Corporation

## Special Service Area (SSA) #32 Facade Enhancement Guidelines

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YOU MAY BE  
ELIGIBLE FOR  
\$3,000 TO IMPROVE  
THE LOOK OF  
YOUR BUSINESS!!  
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### Facade Enhancement Program Overview:

The Façade Enhancement Program is designed to encourage investment and development within SSA#32 business district by offering free architectural services and a building improvement grant up to **\$3,000** to business owners located within the boundaries of SSA#32. The general boundary of SSS#32 business district includes both sides of 79<sup>th</sup> Street between Dan Ryan on the east and Marshfield on the west. Architectural services include but are not limited to details impacting signage, awnings, doors, exterior lighting, and building masonry.

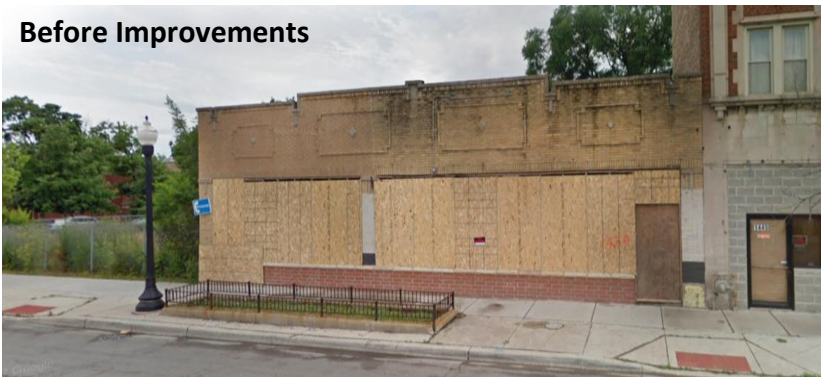
### Eligibility Requirements:

- Business must be located within the SSA#32 Business District
- Business owner must complete Facade Enhancement Application
- Grants must be used to improve the Facade of building
- Facade improvements include signage, awnings, doors, exterior lighting, building masonry, and windows
- Facade projects must meet city and SSA#32 building improvement requirements (see City of Chicago signage guidelines at [www.cityofchicago.org](http://www.cityofchicago.org))

### Example of Facade Enhancement Project within SSA#32 Business District:

#### 1443 W 79<sup>th</sup> St. – Suite Little Feet Daycare Center

Before Improvements



After Improvements



### Facade Needs:

- Preserve its historical look while creating a visual connection to surrounding brick works
- Install large windows for a maximum visibility with security improvements
- Need landscape designs around the building which can highlight its architectural value

### Façade Improvements:

- Removal of wood paneling
- Cleaning and recoloring bricks with an identical color
- Maximize window openings with well-designed shutters
- Upgrade landscape on the public way and the vacant lot