

Who we Are...

The Downtown Dover Partnership is a nonprofit organization dedicated to revitalizing our Historic Downtown Business District. The DDP works hand in hand with the National Trust for Historic Preservation's National Main Street Center and the Downtown Delaware Main Street Initiative to create a variety of programs that serve to improve our district.

Our programs include:

- ◆ **A variety of financial incentives**
- ◆ **Small Business Development Workshops**
- ◆ **Small Business Loans in conjunction with the US SBA**
- ◆ **Facade Grants to downtown property owners for exterior improvements to their buildings**
- ◆ **Special events and activities to nurture the community at large**



DOWNTOWN DOVER PARTNERSHIP

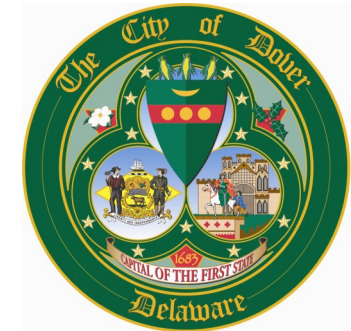
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Downtown Dover Development Incentives



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WHAT PROJECTS ARE ELIGIBLE?

- ◆ New construction or renovation projects
- ◆ Located within the target area
- ◆ Fair market value of the materials to be used and the labor to be performed on the project exceeds the sum of \$15,000
- ◆ Is for commercial, office or a residential use

WHAT IS THE TARGET AREA?

- ◆ The geographic boundaries of the downtown redevelopment area are defined in the Dover Code and include the Business Improvement District.
- ◆ The Dover Code can be accessed at [http:// www.cityofdover.com](http://www.cityofdover.com) Select Quick Links—Municipal Code

A map of the target area is provided on rear panel of this brochure.

WHAT ARE THE INCENTIVES?

Waiver of Permit Fees

- ◆ Building, plumbing, mechanical & fire protection

Impact Fee Waiver

- ◆ Requires multiple story new construction or renovation on one lot
- ◆ Combination of retail, office, residential or commercial services (at least two)
- ◆ Waiver of City sewer and water impact fees

Property Tax Waiver

- ◆ 10-year waiver of property tax on improvements
- ◆ 10-year period begins with building permit issuance

Contribution to Downtown Dover

Partnership

- ◆ 10 % of the value of incentives must be contributed to the DDP

A detailed description of these incentives and the redevelopment target area can be found in the Dover Code, Appendix C

DDP INCENTIVES

Facade Improvement Grant

- ◆ Matching grants from \$250 to \$2500

Facade Improvement Loan for Vacant Buildings

- ◆ Loans from \$500 to \$2500

Economic Development Improvement Loan

- ◆ Loans up to \$10,000

These awards subject to review and approval by the DDP Design Committee and the availability of funds.

Start-up Loan

- ◆ Maximum \$5,000

Downtown Merchant Loan

- ◆ Maximum \$15,000

Rehabilitation Loan Program

- ◆ Maximum \$150,000

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www.downtowndoverpartnership.com