

## Businesses Awarded Financial Incentives from Community Improvement Plan

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Following the previously adopted Community Improvement Plan, the Town of Erin awards five local businesses with financial incentives for projects that align with the Town's goals to promote beautification, property improvements and economic growth.

Council of the Town of Erin had previously approved that \$67,765 be allocated for five incentive programs, for businesses within the Community Improvement Plan Area. Of the total amount, \$47,765 was funded by the Main Street Revitalization Grant and has been allocated for the; Planning Application and Building Permit Fees grant, Façade and Signage Improvement grant, Building Improvement grant, and Design and Study grant. The remaining \$20,000 that was allocated in the 2018 Budget for the Community Improvement Plan will be used for the Tax Increment Equivalent grant.

After the first intake period, from October 3, 2018 – November 2, 2018, a panel of staff reviewed each application and awarded a total of \$27,500 to enhancement projects from the following five businesses:

- Fan/Joy: Design and Study Grant, Façade and Signage grant, and Building Improvement grant
- Edward Jones: Façade and Signage grant and Building Improvement grant
- The Weathervane: Façade and Signage grant and Planning Applications and Building Permit Fees grant
- Devonshire House: Building Improvement grant

• Erin Agricultural Society: Façade and Signage grant and Planning Application and Building Permit Fees grant.

"After reviewing each Community Improvement Plan application I'm excited to see these projects commence, as I feel they will continue to enhance the Town of Erin as a whole", said Robyn Mulder, Town of Erin Economic Development Officer. Mayor Allan Alls added, "This financial incentive program is allowing local businesses to flourish and grow as the Town of Erin continues to be Future-Ready."

The next intake period for applications will end on March 29, 2019.

For more information, or to view the Town of Erin Community Improvement Plan please visit, www.erin.ca/ communityimprovementplan or email ecdev@erin.ca.

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