

CITY OF BRADFORD SIDEWALK PROGRAM

The City of Bradford has created a new sidewalk program designed to improve the pedestrian pathways alongside streets in the City of Bradford. The City has set aside funding on an annual basis to fund new sidewalk construction in the City of Bradford. The City will reimburse each qualified property owner up to 50% of the cost to replace the sidewalk bordering their property. Additionally, the City will set aside funding from its Community Development Block Grant program to reimburse low/moderate income homeowners 100% for the cost of sidewalk construction. This program is being conducted on a volunteer basis and does not preclude the City from enforcing sidewalk violations in accordance with City ordinances.

The City may also seek CDBG or other funding for the re-construction of sidewalks in the downtown commercial/business district. The replacement of sidewalks in this area by the City will not relieve the property owner from maintaining the sidewalk in terms of snow removal.

1. All property owners within the City of Bradford are eligible for the City of Bradford's Sidewalk Program.
2. Sidewalks must be located within the public right-of-way.
3. Applications will be processed on a first come, first serve basis and upon availability of funding.
4. Sidewalk construction must comply with the City of Bradford's specifications for sidewalk construction. All work will be verified by the City of Bradford prior to payment.
5. It is strongly encouraged that the property owner retains the services of a qualified contractor for the sidewalk work. The property owner must obtain two quotes from qualified contractors for the sidewalk work. Work performed by a contractor will be reimbursed 50%. Should a property owner desire to perform the work, the City will reimburse the property owner for the cost of materials (receipts must be provided). If a sidewalk abuts curbing, which also needs replaced, the City will reimburse the property owner 100% for the replacement of the curbing. Curbing shall be replaced according to City of Bradford specifications.

6. Special conditions (i.e. trees, slope drainage, etc.), which may have an effect on sidewalk replacement must be addressed with the City prior to construction. All sidewalks located at intersections must have a handicap ramp installed (specifications provided by City of Bradford).
7. The owner/applicant must advise the City when work begins and when actual work is completed.
8. The property owner is responsible for all aspects of sidewalk construction including means, methods, schedule, safety and damage to existing facilities or structures.
9. Construction of the sidewalk must be completed within one (1) year of the date of the application.