

## **AURORA WARD 4 RESIDENTIAL AND BUSINESS STORM DAMAGE GRANT PROGRAM GUIDELINES**

The Ward 4 Committee shall receive, review and approve requests for grants for storm damage reimbursement in the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward. The program, without limitations, will be geared around the following:

- Assisting Residences and Businesses within the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward who experienced exterior and/or interior damage from storms that took place on August 18, 2025, as well as any storms occurring after this date, to their residence and/or business.

The Ward 4 Committee may also consider other information when approving or denying grant requests such as previous approvals, history, and future development plans.

### **Qualifications:**

- 1) Applicants must be residents of Aurora's 4<sup>th</sup> Ward or conduct business in the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward.
- 2) Applicants may request reimbursement after the work has already been completed, and the invoice is paid.
- 3) The applicant is responsible for choosing a licensed contractor. The contractor must show evidence of prevailing wage.
- 4) Grants will not be considered for improvements or enhancements if applicant is also utilizing an existing city program whereby applicant is receiving assistance or compensation from said program.
- 5) The program will allow for an annual budget amount not to exceed \$50,000.00. No applicant may be awarded more than \$1,500.00 and no less than \$500 as the minimum reimbursement threshold.
- 6) Applicants shall be responsible for all applicable permits from the City. Neither the City nor the Ward 4 Committee will be responsible to ensure that the contracted work is done to the applicant's satisfaction.
- 7) Applicants shall submit before and after pictures of the damage and repairs, and provide a paid invoice or receipt for the work done.

8) The Ward 4 Committee will confirm with the City staff, via Aldermen's Office, to ensure there are no monies owed to city, no violations, liens against the property or entity where the storm damage reimbursement is said to be given.

9) The Ward 4 Committee shall be the one to approve the application.

The applicant shall submit their appropriate paid invoice and before/after photos to the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward Committee prior to being reimbursed for storm damages.

Applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis, and funds will be distributed based on availability of annual budgeted funds at the discretion of the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward Committee. Any application(s) received after the funds are depleted will be placed on a waiting list. Every four years, after City Council approval of the program, the waiting list will be refreshed, and the program will be re-determined. The grant period is based on calendar year, and funds will not be carried over from year to year.

**NOTE: This program will not be extended past the current Alderman's term.**

Payment(s) will be made to the applicant who is solely responsible for payment to the contractor(s).

**Submitting false information on the grant application or failing to comply with the grant application requirements may result in denial of reimbursement.**