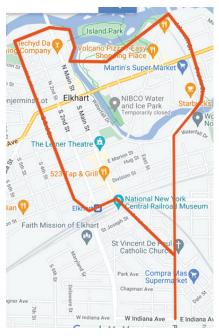


WHAT IS IT?

Many times, small businesses have difficulty securing the funding needed to establish a new business or renovate an existing one. The Gateway Mile Loan Fund was established in 2017 to help businesses wanting to own or expand a business in downtown Elkhart. Through this loan program, local financial institutions are working together to offer capital to people who are working to open or expand a business in downtown Elkhart.



WHAT CAN THE MONEY BE USED FOR?

Loan dollars can be used for:

- **New Construction**
- **Business Expansion**
- New Equipment
- **Building Rehabilitation**

LOCATION BOUNDARIES

North Boundary: Main Street Bridge South Boundary: Indiana Avenue West Boundary: Third Street East Boundary: Prairie Street to Johnson St. Bridge

LOAN INFORMATION Up to \$50K small business loan

- Max term 5 years
- Max amortization 7 years
- Prime + 2%
- Up to 90% loan-to-value or cost
- Fees= 1% of loan

Up to \$200K First Mortgage Real **Estate**

- Max term 5 years
- Max amortization 20 years
- Prime + 1%
- Up to 90% appraised value
- Fees = 1% of loan plus due diligence costs (which can be rolled into the amount of loan)
- 12 months interest only for projects involving major renovation

For More Information, visit elkhart.org

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REQUIREMENTS TO APPLY

- Must have a business plan to apply
- Must have been denied a loan by a financial institution (bank or credit union)
- Must have a minimum 600 credit score
- If your credit score is below 600 a referral to a credit recovery program given

















