



City of Belleville
Engineering Department
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50/50 COMMERCIAL SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

The City of Belleville is offering business owners an annual **50/50 Commercial Sidewalk Replacement Program** in an effort to improve the quality of our pedestrian walkway system throughout the City.

WHO PAYS TO REPLACE THE SIDEWALK?

Under the **50/50 Commercial Sidewalk Replacement Program**, fifty percent (50%) of the cost is paid by the City and fifty percent (50%) of the cost is paid by the business owner.

HOW IS PARTICIPATION DETERMINED?

Residents interested in participating in the **50/50 Commercial Sidewalk Replacement Program** should fill out the attached application and return to the Engineering Department. **Annual funding for the program is limited and on a first-come first-served basis.** Upon receipt of the application, the City will inspect the sidewalk to determine participation eligibility. If the requested sidewalk is eligible and funds are available, an invoice is sent to the business owner.

WHAT ARE THE CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY?

Sidewalks with severe surface deterioration, significant settlement or heaving, cracking exceeding ½ inch horizontally, or vertical displacement greater than ¾ inches are eligible for the program. In addition, it is sometimes necessary to replace additional sidewalk squares in order to correct the problem. These squares would also be eligible for funding.

WHO PERFORMS THE WORK?

The **50/50 Commercial Sidewalk Replacement Program** is advertised as required and competitive bids are obtained for the entire package. For this reason, all work done under this program must be performed by the contractor who has been awarded the project by the City Council.

WHEN IS THE WORK TO BE DONE?

The contractor begins replacements/repair in the spring/summer. The contractor continues until completion of all eligible sites or until the allotted funding has been spent. If there are remaining funds, the contractor may return in the fall for another group of participants.

HOW DOES THE CITY HANDLE UNSAFE SIDEWALKS WHERE THE BUSINESS OWNER IS NOT ABLE OR NOT WILLING TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROGRAM?

Because of the liability associated with unsafe sidewalk conditions, the City will place an asphalt patch over any hazardous sidewalk condition for which they are notified. The business owners can then replace the sidewalk when they are financially able.

WHO SHOULD I CALL IF I HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?

The Engineering Department at (618) 257-7649, 8:00a.m. to 5:00p.m., Monday through Friday or via email at engineering@belleville.net

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**50/50 COMMERCIAL SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT
PROGRAM APPLICATION**

If you wish to participate in the **50/50 Commercial Sidewalk Replacement Program**, complete this form and return to the Engineering Department. **Please send no money at this time!** After the City evaluates your request, an invoice is sent to the business owner for the proposed work. No work will be done until a check is received by the City. **Forms should be returned to:**

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or email to:
engineering@belleville.net

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

ZIP CODE _____ PHONE NUMBER _____ EMAIL _____

To assist the City in evaluating your request, please mark the square of sidewalk that you would like replaced with a paint dot in one corner of the square(s). In addition, please take a few moments to mark the area of concern on the sketch below. Indicate where your house and/or driveway are located, as well as any other significant markers to help the City locate the square(s) that need replaced.

