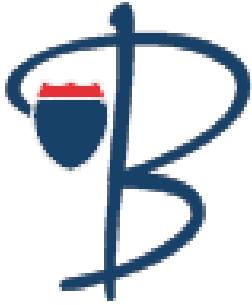


# DOWNTOWN BENSON GRANT OPPORTUNITIES



## Town of Benson Development Incentive Toolbox

The Town of Benson offers a variety of grant incentives for development within the Greater Downtown Area. Properties within the downtown district qualify for following: Downtown Benson Façade Improvement Grant; Redevelopment Incentive Grant; Public Utility Grant; New Business Start-Up Incentive Grant; New Business Rental Assistance Grant; Residential Incentive Grant and a Marketing Assistance Grant.

Visit [www.townofbenson.com](http://www.townofbenson.com) for more information.



## NC Rural Center Building Reuse and Restoration Grant

Any commercial building in the Town of Benson that has been vacant for a period of 90 days or longer is eligible for this grant. The renovation must directly create jobs in Benson, NC. The maximum grant contribution is \$12,000 per new job created. All applications must be submitted through the Town of Benson. **Upcoming deadlines for this grant are June 28th, September 3rd and December 13th.**

Visit [www.ncruralcenter.org](http://www.ncruralcenter.org) for more information.



NORTH CAROLINA  
DEPARTMENT OF  
**CULTURAL**  
**RESOURCES**

## Historic Tax Credit Program

Any contributing property in the Benson National Historic District may apply for State and/or Federal tax credits for renovation or rehabilitation. Non-income producing uses of historic structures qualify for a 30% tax credit from the State of North Carolina. Income-producing uses qualify for a 20% tax credit from the State of North Carolina and a 20% from the Federal Government.

Visit [www.hpo.ncder.gov](http://www.hpo.ncder.gov) for more information.



## NC Main Street Energy Grant Fund

As a member of the NC Small Town Main Street Program the Town of Benson may apply for energy efficiency grants to assist small businesses within its Downtown District. These grants can help private businesses or public facilities with retrofitting buildings to be more energy efficient. Each town is eligible to apply for a maximum of \$250,000 in funding. Applications are made by the Town of Benson.

Visit [www.nccommerce.com](http://www.nccommerce.com) for more information.

**For more information contact:**

**Benjamin T. Murphrey, II**

**Downtown Development Coordinator**

**Phone: (919) 894-1606 Email: [bmurphrey@townofbenson.com](mailto:bmurphrey@townofbenson.com)**