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San Joaquin County Façade Enhancement Grant Program Launch
*Employment and Economic Development Department partners with
Downtown Stockton Alliance for enhancement of qualifying commercial properties*

Stockton, CA – Earlier this month, the San Joaquin County Employment and Economic Development Department (EEDD) partnered with the Downtown Stockton Alliance (DSA) to launch the San Joaquin County Façade Enhancement Grant Program (FEG Program) to foster economic recovery and resiliency within Difficult Development Areas and Qualifying Census Tracts in unincorporated areas of the County.

“As our County continues to recover from the adverse economic effects of the pandemic, we are delighted to partner with the DSA to support local property owners and businesses,” said Patricia Virgen, Director of EEDD. “DSA has a history of success in partnering with local municipalities to enhance economic development and beautification projects such as this.”

“San Joaquin County’s leadership in regional economic development investment is further demonstrated by the launch of the FEG Program, which complements the facade improvements completed by the City of Stockton in a similar program,” said Michael Huber, Executive Director of the Downtown Stockton Alliance. “The FEG Program will encourage future investment for not only the County but the region as a whole.”

Program goals include generating economic recovery by removing blight, enhancing the appearance of neglected commercial properties, and catalyzing broader economic recovery in areas visibly in need of investments. The FEG Program fills the gap in areas of the County where other facade improvement grants are not available to commercial properties.

The FEG Program will run through December 31, 2026 and qualifying applicants may receive up to \$25,000 with \$500,000 in total grant funds available. Eligible properties must be in qualifying areas of unincorporated San Joaquin. For more information on eligibility requirements or to apply, scan the QR code or click [here](#).



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