

PRESS RELEASE

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TOPIC: 50/50 Sidewalk Rehabilitation Program

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City of the Dalles is again offering the 50/50 Sidewalk Rehabilitation Program. The purpose of the program is to help property owners rehabilitate deteriorated sidewalks. The City will pay for half of the costs and the property owner will pay for half of the costs of an approved project.

The City of The Dalles Municipal Code 2.20.010 provides that it is the responsibility of property owners to maintain public sidewalks adjacent to their properties "in good repair and a safe condition." The Dalles Municipal Code also identifies that the adjacent real property owner bears the legal liability "for any personal injury or property damage which occurs because of the owner's failure to maintain the sidewalk in good repair or a safe condition." The 50/50 Sidewalk Rehabilitation Program will help provide some



The City of The Dalles is accepting applications for a cost sharing program to rehabilitate sidewalks until June 30, 2023 or until funds run out. Apply online at thedalles.org/publicworksdocs

financial assistance to property owners to meet that responsibility.

The City will consider applications for the rehabilitation or replacement of existing sidewalks. Projects for construction of new sidewalks are not eligible. Applicants for this program must be the property owner. Cost sharing is only available for sidewalks located within the city limits.

The City has budgeted \$50,000 for the cost sharing program. The program will first focus on applications for sidewalks located in residential areas. If funds remain after January 1, 2023, owners of commercial or institutional properties may apply. Applications will be accepted until June 30, 2023 or until funds run out, whichever comes first.

Please see the 50/50 Sidewalk Rehabilitation Program application for details and project requirements. Property owners can download an application at www.thedalles.org/publicworksdocs. Please call the Public Works Department at (541) 296-5401 if you have questions.

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