

# Sidewalk & Curb Improvement Program

Fact Sheet

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**\$15,000**

Annual funding amount for the program. Each property included in the program is eligible for up to \$1,500 to reimburse 50% of the cost of replacement.

## Who Builds It?

Applicants can choose the contractor of their choice. The contractor must be registered with the City to be eligible for the program.

## Units of Measure

Sections of sidewalk will be evaluated from joint to joint, typically 4 foot sections. Curb replacement will be evaluated in 5 foot sections. Partial sections will not be considered for reimbursement.

## Property Value

Sidewalk and curb improvements can help to increase property values and enhance the overall look and feel of our neighborhoods.

## Introduction

Property owners are responsible for the maintenance, repair, and replacement of sidewalks and curbs adjacent to their property (ORC 729.01). To help offset the cost of replacement, the City has implemented a program that can partially reimburse the owner for costs incurred for sidewalk and curb replacement. An application can be obtained by visiting City Hall or the City's website at: [www.marysvilleohio.org](http://www.marysvilleohio.org) and click on Engineering.

## How it Works

**1 Application**

An application is filed by the property owner to request their sidewalk and/or curb to be reviewed for program eligibility. Also to be included with the application is a quote from a contractor licensed with the City.

**2 Inspection**

After notification that the request has been approved, the replacement work can be scheduled. Inspection is required by the City prior to concrete placement to assure compliance with City standards.

**3 Reimbursement**

When the work is complete, submit the invoice indicating the cost of the approved work along with proof of payment in full to receive reimbursement for 50% of the cost up to \$1,500.



## Eligibility: Examples of Deterioration

**Cracking:** Cracking in concrete is normal and a single crack may not require the need for replacement, but multiple cracks in one panel of sidewalk or section of curb may qualify that section to be included in the replacement program.

**Loose Concrete:** Loose or debonded concrete in a section of curb or panel of sidewalk will be eligible for replacement funding. Spalling or any other type of aesthetic defect with the surface of the concrete cannot be used as eligible criteria for replacement.

**Settlement:** Settlement of a section of curb or panel of sidewalk could pose a tripping hazard or drainage issue and will qualify for the program as long as the settlement is a 1/2 inch or more. This will be measured from the first section of sidewalk or curb that is still at plan grade.

**Uneven Surface:** Brick sidewalks are eligible if the surface is uneven and provides an issue with ADA accessibility. In addition, concrete sidewalks that are leaning to one side could also qualify if the cross slope (grade sloping from one side to the other) is more than 2%.