

## Enclosed Porch Re-Opening Grant

The purpose of this grant is to encourage and incentivize the removal of excess, non-original structures used to enclose an originally open porch.

-This grant applies to properties within the Elgin Historic District that have a non-original enclosed porch or porches.

-If the enclosed porch structure is built upon (or in front of) **original** porch posts, railings, and/or footprint, satisfactory removal of the enclosing materials will qualify for an outright \$2,000 grant.

-If the enclosed porch structure is built upon (or in front of) inappropriate, missing, or **non-original** posts, railings, and/or footprint, satisfactory removal of the enclosing materials will qualify for an outright grant of \$2,000 plus an additional \$2,000 from a Gifford Park Association 50/50 matching architectural grant toward reconstruction of a historically and architecturally appropriate porch.

- Grant application/s must be submitted before work has begun. Approval of application/s may require a site visit and/or meeting to determine eligibility.

-This grant may be combined with other Gifford Park Association and City of Elgin Grants.

-Grant Committee members shall not be eligible for enclosed porch reopening grants.

-The Grant Committee shall determine the eligibility of projects for grants. Any exceptions to these guidelines shall require GPA board approval.