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**BERLIN AWARDED \$50,000 COMMUNITY LEGACY GRANT**

(January 6, 2016) --- Governor Larry Hogan recently announced that the Town of Berlin has been awarded a \$50,000 Community Legacy Grant through the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD).

The funds were granted specifically to assist with the Main Street's Commercial Façade Renovation Program. For every half-dollar invested by applicants in the Downtown Main Street District, the Maryland's DHCD will be provide a one dollar match, creating a potential net investment of \$150,000 into downtown Berlin.

Ivy Wells, Berlin's Director of Economic & Community Development, submitted the grant application this summer. Wells said the grant will provide an opportunity for renovations to continue that have been going on downtown throughout 2009. "There are several property and business owners waiting to submit their applications. In 2015, I have awarded grants to Art in the Fields, Uncle Jon's Soap, The Church Mouse Thrift Shop and Jeffrey Auxer."

For more information about the Berlin Façade Program visit [www.berlinmd.gov](http://www.berlinmd.gov) and click on Economic Development. Direct application can be found at: <http://berlinmd.gov/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/Facade-Improvement-Program.pdf>. Contact Ivy Wells, 410-629-1722 or [iwells@berlinmd.gov](mailto:iwells@berlinmd.gov)

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