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2024 Downtown Rehabilitation Grant Awards

The City of Kearney, in partnership with the Community Redevelopment Authority and Downtown Improvement Board, is proud to announce the 2024 Downtown Rehabilitation Grant Program awards for nine projects. This annual grant program is competitive, and we appreciate the excitement and vision the Downtown property owners have, as well as the significant personal investment they make to maintain these historic properties.

The Downtown Rehabilitation Grant Program is designed to encourage renovation and preservation efforts for downtown buildings. Property owners were able to request funds to address various improvements, including but not limited to façade improvements, roof and brick repairs, window and door replacements, plumbing and electrical upgrades, and other eligible renovation costs.

2024 projects receiving funds include:

- \$18,500 to Muskie's Body Mind Spirit at 1804 Central Avenue to replace windows and doors and interior remodeling.
- \$16,500 to Nelson's Furniture at 2109 Central Avenue to complete façade renovation and restore four windows.
- \$16,500 to Fanci That at 2214 Central Avenue to complete façade renovations including windows and doors.
- \$16,500 to Fiddle Leaf Development, LLC at 2014 Central Avenue to complete façade renovations including removing awning and replacing upper story windows.
- \$16,500 to Contour Med at 2002 Central Avenue to complete façade renovations including removing awning and updating windows.
- \$8,500 to SCORR Marketing at 2201 Central Avenue to conduct exterior brick tuckpoint for preservation.
- \$2,500 to The LightBox at 124 W 25th Street to make interior and ADA improvements for restrooms.
- \$2,500 to Snapshot by Legacy at 20 W 21st Street for façade improvements.
- \$2,000 to Walters Electric at 2219 1st Avenue for façade improvements.

Congratulations to all of the grant awardees. The 2025 Downtown Rehabilitation Grant Program is anticipated to open in 2025. If you have any questions about the grant program, please contact Melissa Dougherty-O'Hara, City Planner, at (308) 233-3254.