

Laverne Area Chamber of Commerce

2026 Sustainability Matching Grant

We are offering (one) matching grant UP TO \$500 to a CURRENT Chamber businesses/organization that apply by: **March 31, 2026.**

The business/organization will include with their application an estimate of their project & detailed description of plans. The application can be for materials only if they choose to complete the project on their own or a bid from a contractor if they will not complete the project themselves. Since the Laverne Area Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the matching grant, the use of local contractors and purchasing of materials locally is strongly suggested, but not mandatory.

The committee will select from the applications turned in on time who will be awarded the grant. The committee will be made up of the current board of directors (as they are not eligible to apply for the match grant).

The business that is awarded the grant will have SIX MONTHS FROM DATE OF AWARD NOTIFICATION (4/14/2026) to complete their project. Any project that is not completed by deadline will go back through the application process. Extensions may be allowed if due to extenuating circumstances.

The business/organization will pay their half of the project, and the Laverne Area Chamber of Commerce will match up to \$500. For a project over \$1,000, the first \$500 will come from the business/organization and all expenses over \$1,000 the business/organization will be responsible.

If a project is under \$1,000 and therefore not requiring a matching grant of up to \$500, the business will pay their half, and the Laverne Area Chamber of Commerce will match with the other half.

Before and after pictures will be taken and will be available to the Laverne Area Chamber of Commerce to use as they see fit. (Examples: newspaper, social media)

Possible Project Submission Ideas (must be tangible as in building improvement, equipment purchase/repair):

- Facade or Interior Building Improvement (Examples: Signage, Paint, Landscaping, Lighting, Murals, Etc.)
- Equipment purchase/repair

**2026 Laverne Area Chamber of Commerce
Matching Grant Application**

Business Name _____

Physical Address _____

Contact Person _____

Best Contact Number _____

Project Title _____

Description of Project:

Estimated Start Date ____/____/____

Estimated Completion Date ____/____/____

Will you be doing the work (yourself) or (hiring out)? Please circle one.

If applicable, Contractor or business hired to complete work _____

If applicable, Supplier of materials _____

Please attach an estimate for the project.

Suggestions/Comments:

Please contact with any questions:

Laverne Area Chamber of Commerce: Tuesday-Thursday 10:00am to 1:00pm / 3:00pm-4:00pm

Matching Grant Committee Chairperson: **Shelby Batman townoflavernemanager@gmail.com**

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