

COMMUNITY

In November, Acton property owners Corey Wilson and Tamara Singels utilized the Town's Community Improvement Plan and changed the facade of their building. Here, Wilson accepts a cheque from Halton Hills councillor Mike Albano and Acton BIA manager Sheena Switzer.



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Acton business revitalizes façade using town's Community Improvement Plan

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The town's Community Improvement Plan (CIP) has allowed owners of a downtown Acton building to completely revitalize the structure's façade.

Property owners Corey Wilson and Tamara Singels changed the look of their building on Mill Street East in Acton by using the town's CIP. The main commercial tenant is Pearly Whites, Dental Hygienist, operated by Kelly Kirk.

The town's CIP provides funding for façade improvements of 70 per cent of eligible work to a maximum of \$12,500 in the downtown Acton core. This is the fourth project in Acton to receive funding and other applications are being processed. The façade program is just one of 28 programs in the CIP that can be used depending on circumstances and demand.

"This is another example of the town's commitment to small businesses to help

them make significant investments in their properties," said Halton Hills Mayor Rick Bonnette. "In the last 16 months, the town has worked not only with individual business but the broader business community through the Acton Business Improvement Area (BIA)."

Improving the appearance and reducing the vacancy rate in downtown Acton continues to be a priority for the town and the BIA. The façade improvement is just one component of the CIP. The program has an annual budget of \$75,000 and applications may be submitted at any time however final approval is contingent upon funding being available.

"We have received many compliments from the public and our neighbours about our new look and we certainly appreciate the town partnering with us on the project," Wilson said.

For more information about the CIP, contact the Economic Development Office 905-873-2601 ext. 2343, or edo@haltonhills.ca

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