

## City of Emporia Neighborhood Revitalization Program

The City of Emporia is offering a Tax Rebate Program to citizens who make improvements to their property! The Program gives property owners within a designated area the opportunity to receive a rebate for ten (10) years on additional property taxes assessed as a result of property improvements or new construction.

Properties in the designated area eligible for the Revitalization Program include single-family homes, multi-family homes, commercial, and Historic-Register properties.

The Revitalization Program went into effect January 1, 2013, so renovations or new construction projects begun on or after that date may be eligible. Applications are available at the City Community Development office, and must be submitted within thirty (30) days of receipt of a building permit. There is a one-time, non-refundable application fee of \$25.00, which must accompany the application when it is submitted for approval.

Eligible classifications for the rebate, as well as the rebate period and amount, are as follows:

CLASSIFICATION	REBATE PERIOD AND AMOUNT
Single Residential	95% for 7 years
	50% for 3 years
Multi-Family Residential	95% for 5 years
	50% for 5 years
Commercial	80% for 3 years
	65% for 3 years
	50% for 4 years
Historic- Register property*	100% for 10 years

\*See program staff regarding historic property requirements.

Applications must be submitted to the Community Development office located at 521 Market Street, P.O. Box 928, Emporia, KS 66801

If you require any additional assistance or would like to have an application packet sent to you, please contact:

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Community Development Coordinator  
(620) 343-4285

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## EMPORIA PROPERTY OWNERS

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# 80 to 95%

## PROPERTY TAX REBATE

**on the increase in taxes on  
newly constructed, renovated  
or improved properties!**





## Emporia Neighborhood Revitalization Area 2013 - 2018

**Q: Why did the Emporia City Commission designate the Neighborhood Revitalization target area (see map→) for the tax rebate?**

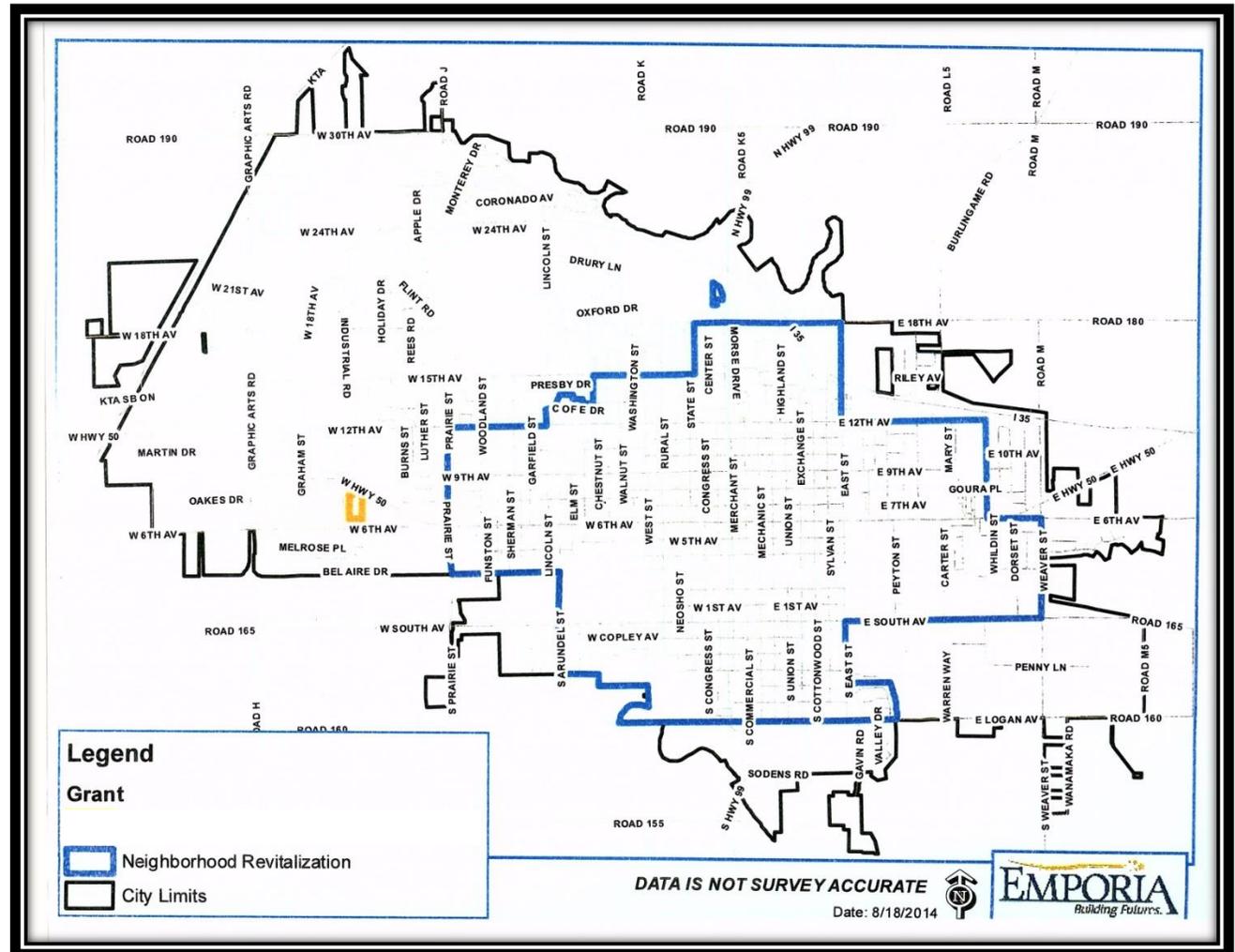
**A:** To encourage new construction and rehabilitation of housing and commercial properties in the downtown, original town site area.

**Q: How does the rebate work?**

**A:** It is a refund of the property taxes which would otherwise be paid on the actual value added to a property due to a qualified improvement. The rebate only applies to the additional taxes resulting from the increase in assessed value on the property due to the improvement. All taxes relating to the assessed value on the property will continue to be paid to the County and the rebate will be paid back to the property owner after all taxes are collected and disbursements are made.

**Q: What is a “qualified improvement?”**

**A:** Qualified improvements include new construction, rehabilitation and additions. The improvements must be a minimum investment of \$5,000 on residential properties and \$10,000 on commercial properties. The improvements must conform to the City of Emporia’s land use and zoning ordinances and comply with other applicable codes, rules and regulations.



**NOTE:** In order to be eligible for the tax rebate, the property must be located in the designated revitalization area as shown on the map above.