

# City of Gustine - Merced County, CA: Gustine Downtown Revitalization Project

Request: \$7.4 Million

#### Goal:

The Gustine Downtown Revitalization Project is intended to provide much needed infrastructure upgrades to Gustine's "Main Street" (5<sup>th</sup> Street). The core goals of the revitalization and infrastructure upgrades are to improve the downtown commercial occupancy rates, improve the walkability in the downtown, improve ADA accommodations, and increase property values in and around the downtown area.

## **Description:**

Revitalize Gustine's Main Street through a variety of infrastructure upgrades to both improve the functionality of the downtown as well as enhance the aesthetic.

### Phase 1 (\$3.7 Million):

- Full streetscape replacements between buildings including roadway, sidewalk and pedestrian bulb-outs at intersections.
- Raised plaza at intersection with decorative paving.
- Provide raised mid-block crossings with decorative pavers or paving.
- Conversion of portions of adjacent alleyways to a "green" alleyway with angled parking and porous paving.
- Addition of a parking lot for increased public parking in the downtown.

#### Phase 2 (\$3.7 Million):

- New sidewalk, street trees and landscaping.
- Intersection bulb outs (includes curb, sidewalk and landscaping within intersection limits).
- Downtown sidewalk extension to make sidewalk appear uniform between Downtown Core, and the Downtown Core Transition.
- Decorative lighting, new seal coating and road striping.

# **Necessity:**

Gustine's downtown area is in severe need of upgrades. No major infrastructure upgrades have been made to the downtown in at least 30 years. This lengthy amount of time has left Gustine's downtown severely neglected and outdated in terms of current engineering, ADA and functional standards. These compounded effects have made economic vitality within the downtown difficult for the small businesses located within the downtown. Without infrastructure upgrades to the downtown, Gustine runs the risk of losing businesses which would severely reduce the availability of vital goods and services to the citizens of Gustine.

### **Beneficiaries:**

- · Gustine residents, business, elderly and disabled
- Highway 33/140 travelers and visitors that use the downtown as a point of commerce

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