CASTLEWOOD ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
LOAN AND GRANT PROGRAMS

The Castlewood Economic & Community Development Board has been vital to bringing businesses, infrastructure and recreation to the city of Castlewood. The industrial park offers ready to build sites with financing available from the corporation and other sources. Located only minutes from I-29 and close proximity to Watertown, Castlewood offers the ideal atmosphere for your business. Contact the Castlewood Community & Economic Development Director for more information.

A grant of $5,000.00 is available for individuals starting a **new** brick & mortar business in Castlewood. The grant will be awarded upon opening of the business which includes hook-up to city utilities. There is a limit of $5,000.00 to be reimbursed to any one applicant by the City of Castlewood. A change of ownership & continuing the same type of business could be awarded a $2,500.00 grant. The grant application requires approval by the City Council.

Another option is a low-interest business loan with the City of Castlewood. This assistance may not be used as the recipient's primary source of financing. This assistance may not be used as the recipient's primary source of financing.

A new business applying for assistance may only be awarded a grant or a loan, not both forms of assistance.

Priority for participation shall be for projects that create jobs and/or substantial capital investment. Other projects will be looked at on a case-by-case basis. Funds may be used for any reasonable development costs that are deemed necessary to the project and are designed to be used in conjunction with other state & local funding.

Projects considered by the City of Castlewood may not exceed 30% of total project costs and shall require a minimum of 10% borrower equity. As a "revolving" loan fund, all projects will carry a 1–3-year balloon with a 10-year amortization. No one project will exceed 30% of available funds.

Interest rates will be fixed and may range from a minimum of 4% to a maximum of current New York Prime. Interest rates shall be structured to provide an incentive for shorter payback periods.

Prior to final approval, all loan applicants will be required to submit a business plan, financial history, projections, disclosure statements, and other pertinent documentation as requested by the Castlewood Economic & Community Development Board.

An application for the loan should be submitted to the Castlewood Economic & Community Development Board for review prior to submission to the City Council. The goal of the Castlewood Economic & Community Development Board is to benefit and promote the community of Castlewood.