



Fort Edward Earns State Grant

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FORT EDWARD-East Street will get a new look, thanks to a \$245,000 state grant.

The Village street will soon have fresh sidewalks, period street lighting and clear new signs to improve pedestrian access between the historic train station, through downtown to the yacht basin.

“I’m really excited to get this grant because it accomplishes several major objectives in out recently completed village master plan,” trustee Darlene DeVoe wrote in an email.

Sidewalks are currently dilapidated, ill-lit and unsafe, said village Mayor Matt Traver. The project, which will install 3,550 feet of new walkways, will complement the state’s ongoing Route 4 corridor improvement project.

Village officials obtained the state Transportation Enhancement Program grant with the assistance of Jim Thatcher at Avalon Associates, a planning firm.

Downtown shops and homes could also get a facelift because of a \$400,000 Small Cities Community Development Block Grant awarded last year. Residents and property owners can still apply for a share of that money to repair or improve downtown properties. For more information call 747-4023.

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