

TOWARDS A FRIENDLY BUILT ENVIRONMENT

A friendly built environment enables people of all ages and abilities to lead active and independent lives. All users, including the young, elderly or persons with limited mobility can benefit from improved accessibility in our built environment. Building owners and industry practitioners play an important role in making Singapore an inclusive and age-friendly city.

WHO CAN APPLY?

Building owners, lessors who have ownership rights to upgrade the building, and lessees who can carry out the upgrading works with the approval of the owners/lessors.



Up To
\$300,000
Co-funding
Per Building



Submit Up To
2 Applications
Per Building



Interested parties may contact
**Building and Construction Authority
Universal Design Department**
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For more information, visit
www.bca.gov.sg/friendlybuilding



**THE
ACCESSIBILITY FUND**
*Towards a Friendly Built
Environment*

WHAT IS THE ACCESSIBILITY FUND

The Accessibility Fund is a S\$40-million grant, established to help owners of pre-1990 private buildings to improve their accessibility and provide a friendly built environment for people of all ages and abilities. The Fund is available until 2021. It allows up to two applications per building. Successful applicants of the Fund can enjoy:



Up to **80%** co-funding for **Accessibility Features**

Based on the following key features:

- Accessible approach to the building
- Ramps/lifts that improve access to the building on its first storey or entrance level
- Lifts that are compliant with SS550 (up to S\$200,000 per lift)
- Accessible toilets on the first storey or entrance level
- Signage for accessibility features



Up to **60%** co-funding of **Additional Features**

Features for:

- Families
- Persons with vision impairment
- Persons with hearing impairment



CRITERIA FOR FUNDING

- Each building is allowed up to two applications.
- 'Building' refers to the premises including all facilities and building(s) for which the Funding is sought and must not be individual dwelling units. For residential building, the Fund only applies to the communal area.
- The total fund amount for a building is capped at S\$300,000.
- Buildings undergoing major Additions and Alterations, which have to comply with the prevailing code, are not eligible.
- Applicants must comply with all regulatory requirements for the upgrading works.
- The Fund only covers the cost of construction works for the accessible features. It excludes the cost related to consultancy and plan submission fees.
- The Government, any public authority, or any organisation performing a public function, is not allowed to apply for the Funding.

DOCUMENTS
TO SUBMIT



- The Accessibility Fund application form (download at: www.bca.gov.sg/friendlybuilding).
- A document stating the reason for the Fund application.
- All drawings showing the plans and details of proposed accessibility works including Accessibility Route Plan.
- A schedule of the proposed upgrading works.
- A Letter of Undertaking to complete works within schedule.
- Digital photographs of areas and the immediate surroundings where upgrading works are to be carried out.
- Detailed cost estimates (itemised).



Submit the above list of application documents to:

Accessibility Fund Secretariat
Universal Design Department
Building and Construction Authority
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