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Tri County HOME Program

Community Progress Inc. has been awarded a New York State HOME grant in the amount of \$400,000.00 for Chemung, Schuyler and Steuben County homeowners. These funds will assist in repairs to single-family, income-eligible, owner-occupied homes for the purpose of eliminating critical health and safety threats and/or hazards in the home.

This program is regulated to address home repairs that do not meet Housing Quality Standards, with special attention given to lead and weatherization issues. The grant funds are not available to provide for cosmetic amenities within the home, but rather the necessities to keep the home in acceptable standards.

General Eligibility Requirements:

1. Proof of home ownership (Deed). Must be a single-family dwelling and owner-occupied.
2. Verification/source of income for all persons in the household. Third party verification will be applicable in this program.
3. Proof of paid property taxes for last two years. Town/County, School, and Village, if applicable (stamped/dated tax stubs and/or cancelled checks).
4. Homeowner's Insurance Policy, declaration page noting the effective date of the policy. (Must have fire insurance and flood insurance, if applicable).
5. Must reside in specified county.

Program Procedures:

1. Grants will be awarded to eligible applicants for the purpose of bringing their homes up to Federal Housing Quality Standards.
2. These grants are not guaranteed to be 100% funded. Homeowners may be required to contribute matching funds or secure additional financial resources.

3. Projects may include, but are not limited to; roof replacements, electrical and plumbing updates, new septic and well systems, handicap accessibility provisions into and out of the home (ramps, bathrooms, etc.), window replacements, exterior doors, structural repairs, furnace replacements, installation of smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors, lead base paint remediation and any other requirement needed to meet “NYS Housing Trust Fund Corporation Rehabilitation Standards for One-to-Four Unit Structures.”
4. Priority is based on a first come-first serve basis, as well as severity of need. Homeowners currently on CPI’s wait-list with preliminary applications submitted, and a pre-eligibility status determined, will be offered grant assistance first.
5. Repairs must total a minimum of \$1,000.00. The Housing Rehab Consultant will determine this during the initial visit.
6. All work will be completed by local area contractors that have been approved to work with our agency *and all work will be guaranteed for two (2) years from the date that the Certificate of Completion was issued by the Housing Rehab Consultant.* A list of the qualified contractors will be submitted to each homeowner. CPI will send out bids to three (3) contractors, chosen by the homeowner, with a sealed bid opening date to award the contracts.
7. If a homeowner’s contribution is required, it will be payable up front at the time of the contract signing.
8. All properties will be monitored for five years from the date of project completion. If the homeowner should sell the home during that period of time, CPI will recapture funds based on a **pro-rated schedule.**
9. The HOME Program is tentatively scheduled to run through the Spring of 2018 and to serve approximately 15 homeowners who meet program criteria.

For an Application please contact our office by phone or check us out on our website at the following link listed below:

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