FOR MORE INFORMATION REGARDING THE HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM OF BRADFORD COUNTY, PLEASE CONTACT THE BRADFORD COUNTY GRANTS OFFICE





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### **Bradford County**

# Housing Rehabilitation Program



## A Grant Program for Rehabilitating Homes to HUD Section 8 Standards

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#### **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

The Housing Rehabilitation Program is designed to provide financial assistance to eligible homeowners with the rehabilitation of their homes.

Bradford County residents who are income eligible, single-family, owner-occupants (with name on a deed or title), taxes paid to date and retain homeowners insurance, may qualify for housing rehabilitation grants of up to \$ 30,000.00 per household.

Homeowners income that is at or <u>below</u> Very Low Income will be eligible to receive a 100% grant. Homeowners whose income falls <u>between</u> the Very Low and Low-Moderate Income guidelines shall pay a portion of the rehabilitation contract based upon Section 8 Income limitations.

#### **LEAD PAINT**

Our Housing Specialist will perform lead testing on all homes built before 1978. Our Housing Specialist is certified to perform lead testing



and will monitor lead safe work practices in the event a job site tests positive for lead based paint. Housing Rehabilitation contractors are lead safe work practice certified. The County Housing Rehabilitation Program does not perform lead abatement.

#### PROGRAM POLICY

THE BRADFORD COUNTY HOUSING REHABILITATION POLICY IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE ALONG WITH THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDING. APPLICATIONS ARE PROCESSED ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS.

#### **PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

**STANDARDS:** All rehabilitation will be done in accordance with the Bradford County Rehabilitation Policy and Section 8 Housing Standards

<u>LIENS</u>: Homeowners will be required to sign a five-year promissory note for the total grant amount. The lien on the property is reduced by 20% each year.



#### **INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES**

- COSMETIC
- INTERIOR/EXTERIOR DECORATING
- ADDITIONS

#### **ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES**

- REMOVAL OF HEALTH AND SAFETY HAZARDS
- ENERGY CONSERVATION
- WEATHERIZATION
- ELIMINATION OF BUILDING CODE VIOLATIONS
- PRESERVATION OF PROPERTY

#### **PROCESS**

APPLICATION: Interested residents shall request to be placed on the overall waiting list which averages between 2 - 6 years. As a potential applicant's name rises to the top of the list, our agency shall send an application and require the following: a copy of deed or title, (4) months of employment (pay) stubs and verification of non-taxable income. The applicant will be required to request their insurance company to submit, via fax, a copy of the applicants homeowners insurance.

**CONTRACTORS:** Contractors are chosen by a competitive bidding process and must submit certification of insurance.

**INSPECTION:** Upon completion, houses are inspected by the County Housing Specialist to determine deficiencies and that improvements meet Section 8 Housing Standards.