

KENT COUNTY

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING SERVICES

HOUSING REPAIR PROGRAM

WHAT THE PROGRAM DOES:

The Community Development Housing Repair program provides funds for repairs and renovations that will bring a home up to housing code standards. Examples of some of the types of work done are electrical, plumbing, roofing, heating, and structural renovations.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

- * An application for assistance is filled out and additional information verifications are mailed.
- * An inspection of the home is done, and a list of repairs is completed.
- * Bids are requested from County-Approved licensed Contractors.
- * The bids are evaluated, and the job is awarded to the lowest bidding responsive Contractor.
- * The selected Contractor then completes the approved work as per the work write-up and any County-approved changes, and the County pays the Contractor for work completed.
- * To safeguard the Housing Repair Program, a forgivable, 0% interest lien is recorded on the property. The applicant IS NOT responsible for any payments towards this lien. The term of the lien is either 5 or 10 years depending on the amount spent on the property. This amount is depreciated throughout the term and considered fully satisfied at the end. Should an applicant sell while the lien is active, the remaining portion is paid back to the program at settlement.

HOW DO I QUALIFY?

- * The residence being considered for a grant must be **owner-occupied**.
- * The total annual income of the occupants cannot exceed the income limits set for Kent County, Delaware.
- * There is adequate hazard insurance on the property being considered for assistance prior to the start of work
- * **All City and County taxes, sewer fees and property assessments are paid.**

PROGRAM INCOME LIMITS:

By total household size *:

1 Person -	\$ 45,750	5 Person -	\$ 70,600
2 Person -	\$ 52,300	6 Person -	\$ 75,850
3 Person -	\$ 58,850	7 Person -	\$ 81,050
4 Person -	\$ 65,350	8 Person -	\$ 86,300

* (Income includes **all** sources of income from everyone living in the home)

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FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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For additional information, or to be placed onto the waiting list, please contact the
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