Overview

The Housing and Community Development Department of the York County Planning Commission has been designated by the York County Commissioners to administer various housing related projects and programs. These include the federally funded Community Development Block Grant and HOME Grant Programs, the state funded Weatherization and the locally funded Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

Through these housing programs, the department provides funds to individual property owners to rehabilitate existing housing, to access energy saving services, and to provide down payment assistance to first time home buyers. Additionally, funds are provided to developers for the creation of rental housing units.

These programs are designed to benefit low and moderate income individuals and families in York County.

Home Improvement Program

The Home Improvement Program is a program designed to help income-eligible resident homeowners in York County by providing financial and technical assistance to obtain necessary home repairs. Assistance is provided in the form of a loan or a grant. An Emergency Program is also available to provide assistance in situations where existing conditions threaten the life, health or safety of the occupants and are so extreme that normal processing time would constitute a danger to the property occupants.

Program Eligibility
- Property must be in a substandard condition as defined by the program’s rehabilitation standards.
- Applicant must be a York County resident who owns and resides in a property located within York County, exclusive of York City.
- Household gross annual income may not exceed federally established income limits.

Are You Eligible for a Grant?
Grant funds may be available for necessary home repairs to eligible homeowners who are 55 and older or disabled individuals who have an annual household income at or below 50% of the area median. Grants will be awarded up to $10,000 and will be used to address health and safety risks, code violations, mobility improvements, and weatherization supplements.

For information on the Home Improvement Program contact a Financial Specialist at the York County Planning Commission at (717) 771-9870 or at www.yorkhip.org.

Weatherization Program

The Weatherization Program is designed to reduce energy costs for low income families by saving energy. The service is free of charge.

Services May Include:
- attic and basement insulation
- water heater and pipe insulation
- window and door weatherstripping
- caulking
- broken glass replacement
- heating system efficiency testing
- water heater efficiency testing

Program Eligibility
- Any York County (including York City), homeowner or tenant whose income falls below federally established income limits.
- Properties which have received prior Weatherization service may not be eligible for re-service.

For information on the Weatherization Program, contact the Weatherization Department at the York County Planning Commission (717) 771-9870.

York Homebuyer Assistance Program

The York Homebuyer Assistance Program is a program established to provide down payment and closing cost assistance to eligible County residents as a forgivable loan.

Program Eligibility
- Applicant may not have owned a home during the three year period prior to the purchase of an eligible property.
- Property must be an existing single family home located in York County, with public water and sewer. Mobile homes on rented land cannot be considered.
- Applicant must meet the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) HOME Program income limits.
- Applicant must complete a required homebuyer educational program.

The York Housing Opportunity Center is responsible for determining program eligibility.

For information on the York Homebuyer Assistance Program, contact:
York Housing Opportunity Center
116 North George Street
York, PA 17401
(717) 827-4334
yhap@lhop.org
The HOME Program was developed to assure an adequate supply of standard, affordable rental housing to low income households. York County provides funding to housing developers for the creation of new rental housing units throughout the County.

Program Eligibility
- Household gross annual income may not exceed federally established income limits.
- Elderly units may have minimal age requirements.

Elderly Housing
- Hanover Senior Residences - Hanover Borough
- Parkview at Manchester Heights - West Manchester Township
- Opera House I Apartments - Red Lion Borough
- Park View at Tyler Run - York Township
- Shrewsbury Courtyards I & II - Shrewsbury Borough
- Springwood Overlook - York Township
- Stony Brook Gardens - Springettsbury Township

Multi-Family Housing
- Westminster Place at Carroll Village - Dillsburg Borough
- Westminster Place at Stewartstown - Stewartstown Borough
- Carriage Works Apartments - West York Borough
- Gateway Apartments - West York Borough
- Hanover Residences - Hanover Borough
- New Freedom Apartments - New Freedom Borough
- Opera House I & II - Red Lion Borough
- Poplar Creek Apartments - Manchester Township
- Shelly School Apartments - West York Borough
- Village Court - Dover Township
- Waverly Court - Springettsbury Township
- Wyndamere Apartments - Springettsbury Township
- York Commons - York Township

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EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY
Funds for these Programs have been made available to the York County Commissioners from the Department of Housing and Urban Development to improve the quality of housing in York County and assist local owners in maintaining their homes.