

CITY OF TROY

Residential Exterior Housing Improvement Loan Program

Purpose

The City of Troy's Residential Exterior Housing Loan Program provides funding to repair owner-occupied single-family homes in the City of Troy. The goal of the program is to improve the housing stock in the City that in turn stabilizes and/or increases home values.

Eligibility Criteria

- Must own a home inside the City Limits of Troy and reside in the home as the primary residence **(Rental properties are not eligible for assistance)**;
- The home must be a single-family dwelling unit and be at least 15 years old;
- Applicant must reside in the home for a minimum of two-years prior to applying;
- Must be current with your property taxes, mortgage, City Utility Bills and Income taxes, or become current prior to application approval (including being approved for a payment plan by the County Auditor);
- Must have Homeowner Insurance;
- Must agree to use the property in a lawful manner with regard to all City of Troy Codified Ordinances including but not limited to, the City's Property Maintenance Code and Zoning Code;
- Must maintain the structure and premises in a decent, safe and sanitary condition, pursuant to all applicable codes and ordinances of the City;
- May not have received assistance more than once in a 10-year period (does not apply to properties in which there is a bona fide emergency condition)

Eligible Exterior Repairs

- Roofs, Downspouts, Gutters
- Siding / Paint
- Windows / Exterior Doors
- Porch repairs
- Exterior Brick – Tuck pointing
- Chimney repair
- Foundation
- ADA Ramps
- Detached Garages (demolition, paint, siding, windows, garage door)

Program Guidelines

- Homeowner is required to submit two (2) cost estimates from qualified contractors with this application. A qualified contractor is a contractor that has General Liability Insurance, and Worker's Compensation (if applicable). A copy of their General Liability Insurance, and Worker's Compensation Certificate must be attached with their cost estimate;
- No home repair work can begin until a signed and approved Loan Agreement with the City has been executed. The loan agreement will set forth the loan terms and obligations for this home repair project. Reimbursements for work that has begun prior to the Loan Agreement being signed will NOT be accepted;

- After the Loan Agreement has been signed then the homeowner receiving assistance will be issued a check from the City of Troy in the amount of the cost estimate provided by the qualified contractor to pay the contractor directly for the home repair work outlined in the Loan Agreement. The contractor has 6 months to complete the home repair work. If the work is NOT completed by this time then the homeowner is required to pay ALL the funds they received for the home repair back to the City of Troy. There is NO EXCEPTIONS to this guideline;
- The homeowners receiving the home repair loan assistance are NOT eligible to perform the home repair work unless they are a qualified contractor with General Liability Insurance and Workers Compensation.

Income Qualifications

(Income Limits change each year in April)

Three options qualify Troy citizens who wish to apply for financial assistance, based upon household size and income, according to the HUD estimates of median family household income, which is below:

(e.g., mother, father, two children = 4 living in household)

	Persons in Family							
FY 2021 Income Limit Category	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
80% Income Limits (\$)	42,400	48,450	54,500	60,550	65,400	70,250	75,100	79,950
100% Income Limits(\$)	53,000	60,600	68,200	75,700	81,800	87,900	93,900	100,000

Loan Guidelines

The loan shall become due and payable in monthly installments on the day the home improvement project is completed and the contractor performing the work is compensated. The applicant is expected to pay the recording fees for the mortgage, these fees are usually less than \$100. The loan start date will be between 90 and 180 days after the loan closing. The City of Troy must either hold the 1st or 2nd mortgage for this exterior home repair loan. Homeowners are NOT eligible if they currently have more than two existing mortgages on the dwelling receiving the home repair assistance. The loan is due earlier when any one of the following occurs: 1) property is sold; 2) the house is no longer owner-occupied.

There is no penalty for pay off of the loan before your loan period is up. Complete repayment of the loan is required in monthly installments of amortized principal and interest within the loan period. The City of Troy requires automatic deduction for the payment of the loan. This deduction will occur on the 1st of the month. If the normal due date falls on a non-business day, then the deduction will occur on the proceeding business day. A penalty of 10% of the overdue payment amount will be required each

month for any payment 10 or more days past due. Standard monthly payments will typically be due on the first day of each month.

Guidelines	Troy Program Option 1	Troy Program Option 2	Troy Program Option 3
Income Limits ¹	80% or less of HUD (&CHIP funds are not available)	Income Limits 80.1%-99.9% of HUD Income Limits	Greater than 100% of HUD Income Limits
Minimum Loan	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
Maximum Loan	\$20,000	\$40,000	\$10,000
Interest Rate ²	0%	Current Prime Rate	Current Prime Rate
Loan Terms (fixed) ³	10-year non-forgivable loan	10-year non-forgivable loan	5-year non-forgivable loan
Match Required	No Match	25% Match Required	50% Match Required

1. Based upon HUD Estimates of median family Income with adjustments based upon family size.
2. Loans based upon current Prime Rate at closing
3. Loan deferrals are NOT permitted

The City of Troy can accelerate the loan, without notice, and demand full payment of the loan immediately if the borrower fails to:

- Disburse loan funds within six months;
- Provide payments for two or more consecutive months;
- Complete the project;
- Obtain the necessary inspection approvals, or other causes determined by the LRC;
- Make use of the entire loan commitment;
- Fails to provide evidence of receipts, contracts, or inspection approvals;
- Locates the business outside of the City of Troy or ceases operation of the business;
- Comply with all other laws and ordinances of the City of Troy.

The remaining loan proceeds not disbursed shall be returned to the City and the outstanding loan amount shall be reduced accordingly. Previous fees, interest, and disbursed principal shall not be refunded.

Important

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION BELOW WILL BE REQUIRED FOR INCOME VERIFICATION AND WILL BE REQUESTED WHEN YOU RECEIVE A FULL APPLICATION (PLEASE NOTE THAT NOT ALL THE INFORMATION WILL PERTAIN TO YOUR CURRENT INCOME SITUATION):

- **Federal Filed Income Taxes** – A copy of your most recent Federal Filed Income Taxes. If you are self-employed, provide copies of the last two years.
- **Employment** – Copies of either 8 paystubs if paid weekly or 4 biweekly pay stubs reflecting **year to date** total.
- **Unemployment** – A statement from the agency verifying the gross amount of weekly unemployment income received.
- **Pension** – A copy of the pension statement benefit or a check receipt reflecting the gross monthly amount received or a copy of one of the monthly checks.

- **Social Security, SSI, Disability** – A copy of the benefits statement or a printout from the agency. Income must reflect this year, not the previous year income.
- **Bank Statements** – Copies of the last three (3) months statements (savings, checking, CD, stocks, bonds, etc.).
- **Self-Employed Driver – i.e. Door Dash; Grub Hub; Uber; Lyft** – Submit the enclosed Self-Employed Questionnaire and requested supporting documentation for each company.
- **Eligible Working Adults** – Any working adult resident must provide their income documents.
- **No Working Adults** – If there is no income from an eligible working adult then they will need to fill out a No-Income Sheet submitted. This form can be obtained from the Troy Development Department.
- **Homeowner's Insurance** – A copy of a statement or invoice that reflects the premium amount you pay for homeowner's insurance.
- **Homeowner's Mortgage** – A copy of a statement or invoice that reflects the premium amount you pay for the mortgage.

Priority is going to be given to applicants who are under current Troy Property Maintenance Orders; have a health and safety emergency i.e. hole in their roof; extremely low income; and the date the Troy Exterior Home Repair Loan Assistance Request Form is received. An internal review committee will review your assistance request form and will also set up a follow up visit to your property to verify the requested repairs.

After the internal review committee completes a site visit and we verify that your requested repairs meet the guidelines of this program then we will provide you with a FULL application to complete, which will include all the income supporting documentation that we will need to verify your current income. PLEASE DO NOT SEND ANY OF YOUR INCOME DOCUMENTATION WITH THIS ASSISTANCE REQUEST FORM.

All income for program eligibility is based on current income. Current income will be projected to yearly gross income.

AWARDS WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN APRIL 2022

**You can request an application by calling
Nikki Reese, Community Development Manager in the
City of Troy Development Department at
937-339-9601 Ext. 4.**

Or

**Stopping in the Development Office located at 100 S. Market St.
Troy, OH 45373**

As with all federally funded programs and any conventional bank home repair loan programs, the City of Troy's Residential Exterior Housing Improvement Program will require personal financial disclosure. Personal financial information shared with the City of Troy Development Staff is personal and confidential and shall be so designated. The personal and confidential financial files will not be available for public inspection to the extent permitted by law.