

Hamburg Community Development

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2017 Program Year

Housing Renovation Grant/Loan Program Application

Thank you for your interest in the **Town of Hamburg's "Housing Renovation Program"**. I am pleased to include this program application packet. Should you decide to apply for a grant or for a no/low interest loan through our program, complete the required information within the following application and compile the required income verification documents as listed on the second last page of this application packet, **Exhibit "A"**. Once you have completed the application and have all of the required income documents, please call Timothy Regan; Assistant Director of Community Development, at 648-6216 so that he can arrange a meeting with you to go over important items you will need to know about this program, including our approval process, inspection procedures, contractor selection, funding issues and any waiting list that is currently in use.

This owner-occupied, single-family, housing renovation program is offered by the Town of Hamburg through its Department of Community Development. Funding for this program is provided by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program **[Loans]** and/or its Home Investment Partnership (HOME) program **[Grants]**. Currently both of these programs have been targeted for elimination by President Trump and his administration, so funding may not be available in the near future. Due to the fact that these programs have two separate regulations, there are different housing value limits for each program.

- 1) **The renovation loan program** utilizes federal CDBG program funds and has a single-family home after-renovation value limit of \$160,000.
- 2) **The "conditional" grant program** utilizes the federal HOME program funds and has a single-family home after-renovation value limit of \$140,000.

Again, the funding source for each of these programs is not guaranteed and as indicated above, both have been targeted for elimination by President Donald Trump. To that end, there is no guarantee that either program will be available for use within 2017. This will require us to initiate a waiting list for entry into either of these programs. Any waiting list for program funding will be based upon priority improvements and income status. Again, there is no guarantee that either program will be funded.

If you are funded through one of these programs, all contracts for renovation work to be completed through either program will be between yourself and the contractor/worker you select to complete the work approved through this program. In addition, no work or activity can be initiated at your dwelling prior to authorization by the Department of Community Development. As a point of information, eligible contractors/workers are not assigned nor recommended by the Town of Hamburg or the Department of Community Development. Finally, when funded, our programs work very efficiently and allow for approved repairs to be completed at your dwelling, which in turn allows you/your family to live within a decent, safe and improved environment. If you have any questions or concerns about this program, please contact us at 648-6216. We look forward to working with you soon!

Sincerely,

Christopher Hull; Director
Department of Community Development

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Housing Renovation Program Eligible Improvements and Priorities

Priority One Improvements: (Most Crucial)

- Roof repair or replacement/Gutter and downspout repair or replacement.
- Electrical repair; Upgrading of electrical service.
- Plumbing repair or replacement.
- Furnace repair or replacement.
- Gas line/ water line repair or replacement.
- Window repair or replacement.
- Exterior or Storm Door repair or replacement.
- Lead Paint Abatement/Removal

Priority Two Improvements: (Secondary Improvements)

- Ceiling repair.
- Rodent, termite or vermin extermination.
- Others as approved by the Department of Community Development.

Priority Three Improvements: (Rarely approved)

- Siding repair or replacement (must be approved by Department of Community Development)

Other repairs not listed above, may be eligible for completion through this program, if approved by the Director of Community Development and a Housing Renovation Program Inspector.

Income Eligibility Schedule Town of Hamburg Housing Renovation Grant/Loan Program as of April 14, 2017 (subject to change at any time by HUD)

# of Persons in Home	Max Income for Grant:	If you are over the income limit for a	2.5% Loan Max Income	5% Loan Max Income
1	\$23,900	<---- grant:	\$31,070	\$38,200
2	\$27,300		\$35,490	\$43,650
3	\$30,700	Use the loan limits	\$39,910	\$49,100
4	\$34,100	to the right ---->.	\$44,330	\$54,550
5	\$36,850		\$47,905	\$58,950
6	\$39,600		\$51,480	\$63,300
7	\$42,300		\$54,990	\$67,650
8 or more	\$45,050		\$58,565	\$72,050

8) Are your Town\County\School Taxes Paid to Date? Yes [] No []

9) Employment Record:

Employer's Name: _____

Employer's Address: _____

Employer's Name: _____

Employer's Address: _____

Employer's Name: _____

Employer's Address: _____

10) What Renovation Improvements are you applying for? (See Eligible Improvements Page):

11) Gross annual income for entire household: \$ _____

See Exhibit "A" for required income documentation.

12) Total number of persons residing in dwelling: _____

Confidential Financial Status Report

Applicant(s) Name(s): _____

Home Address: _____

Number of children living within the dwelling: _____

Home repairs completed over the past five (5) years:

Total Gross Monthly income for entire household: \$ _____

Liabilities

Mortgage Payment(s): [] YES [] NO Payment Amount(s): _____

Current Mortgage Balance(s): _____

Payment Status: [] Current [] In Default? (Number of months in default: _____)

Mortgagee: _____ [] Conventional [] FHA
[] VA [] SONYMA
[] Private

Mortgagee: _____ [] Conventional [] FHA
[] Loan [] Line of Credit
[] Home Equity Loan

Taxes in mortgage payment? [] Included [] Not Included \$ _____ Per Month/Year.

Hazard Insurance in mortgage payment?
[] Included [] Not Included \$ _____ Per Month/Year.

Other Creditors/Credit with or without balances:

<u>Creditor:</u>	<u>Monthly Payment:</u>	<u>Balance Due:</u>	<u>Past Due/Current</u>
_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____	_____

*** If more space is required, use the space below:**

_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____	_____

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Town of Hamburg "Housing Renovation Program" Required Certifications

- 1) I hereby certify that I/We am/are the owner and occupant(s) of the property to be included within the Town of Hamburg Housing Renovation Loan Program. To the best of my knowledge, all of the information provided above is true and accurate. I agree to cooperate with the **Town of Hamburg Department of Community Development** which is administering this program and to comply with their specified rules and procedures.
- 2) I understand that any contract for Renovation work paid for in whole or in part by a **Housing Renovation Loan** from this program will be between the contractor(s) and myself/ourselves, and that I should not sign any contract for work under this program until authorized to do so by the Department of Community Development.
- 3) I also understand that the **Town of Hamburg and the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development** are not responsible OR liable for any breach of contract, faulty workmanship, accident liability or damage which might arise from my relationship with the contractor through this program.
- 4) The above information is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States code makes it a criminal offense to make willful false statements or misrepresentations to any department or agency of the United States as to matters within its jurisdiction. **In addition**, I also certify that all information provided in this program application and all financial information provided to the Town of Hamburg is true and accurate. If upon further review, information that was provided to the Town of Hamburg for program purposes is found to be false, I understand that criminal proceedings will be commenced.
- 5) The Town of Hamburg and the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development are NOT responsible or liable for the installation, performance, workmanship, liability or any damages which might arise from my participation in this program. Upkeep of the device(s) installed through my participation with this program is my/our responsibility. My\Our signature(s) below indicates my understanding of this statement.
- 6) I understand that if this application is approved and I receive a Loan from the Town of Hamburg, a mortgage will be placed on my property by the Town of Hamburg as a condition of receiving the Loan. The mortgage guarantees Loan repayment upon the sale or transfer of my property or upon death of the applicant(s). Filing fees for this mortgage will be my\our responsibility. Checks can be made payable to the "Erie County Clerk" and the amount will be disclosed prior to filing.

7) In addition, I understand that any contract for work to be completed at my/our home through a Town of Hamburg Housing Program is between the Contractor I/We have selected and me/ourselves. The Town of Hamburg, the County of Erie, the State of New York or the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development their employees and agents assume no liability or responsibility for the cost of repairing or replacing any defects and/or deficiencies, either current or arising in the future or for any property damage or any injury whether it be bodily or mentally of any nature resulting from my/our participation with the Town of Hamburg Housing Program pertaining to Lead Based Paint.

Signature(s): _____ Date: _____

Signature(s): _____ Date: _____

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF ERIE) SS:

On the _____ day of _____, in the year _____, before me, the undersigned, a notary public in and for said state, personally appeared _____, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument, the individual(s), or the person upon behalf of which the individual(s) acted, executed the instrument.

Notary Public

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF ERIE) SS:

On the _____ day of _____, in the year _____, before me, the undersigned, a notary public in and for said state, personally appeared _____, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument, the individual(s), or the person upon behalf of which the individual(s) acted, executed the instrument.

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"AUTHORIZATION TO RECEIVE AND VERIFY CREDIT INFORMATION"

I\We hereby consent to the sharing among you of any credit information which we obtain for the purpose of processing my\our application for the Town of Hamburg Housing Renovation Loan Program. I\We waive any rights which I\We may have to keep that information confidential so long as it is shared only among you for determining my eligibility to receive a Loan through this program. I\We also agree to hold harmless the Town of Hamburg from any claims for damages for use of that information in the manner provided by this waiver.

NOTICE TO APPLICANT: By signing this form you consent to lenders sharing credit information about you to process this application.

Signature(s): _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

"AUTHORIZATION TO RECEIVE AND VERIFY EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION"

I\We hereby consent to the sharing among you of any employment information which we obtain for the purpose of processing my\our application for the Town of Hamburg Housing Renovation Loan Program. I\We waive any rights which I\We may have to keep that information confidential so long as it is shared only among you for determining my eligibility to receive a Loan through this program. I\We also agree to hold harmless the Town of Hamburg from any claims for damages for use of that information in the manner provided by this waiver.

NOTICE TO APPLICANT: By signing this form you consent to employers sharing employment information about you to process this application.

Signature(s): _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

"AUTHORIZATION OF INSPECTION"

I hereby grant the **Town of Hamburg Department of Community Development** permission to inspect my property and to be on my property located at:

for the purpose of evaluating program need and for all other program procedures and purposes including the inspection for Lead Based Paint. I also agree to hold harmless the Town of Hamburg from any claims for damages for access to my property provided through this program.

Signature(s): _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

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EXHIBIT "A"

Town of Hamburg Housing Renovation Program Income Verification Required Documents (COPIES ONLY)

- 1) Copy of deed to home.
- 2) Copy of paid tax receipts; Town\County\School\Village.
(Taxes must be current for program participation)
- 3) Copy of Homeowner's Insurance Policy.
- 4) Copy of latest federal and state income tax filings (Including ALL Schedules and W-2's).
- 5) Verification of checking and savings accounts, interest and annuities.
(Provide last three months statements from your financial institution)
- 6) Verification of employment (four most recent pay stubs for all employed occupants).
- 7) Verification of benefits: (Provide copies of notice of award or benefit for any/all that apply)
 - a) Social Security
 - b) Pension
 - c) SSI
 - d) Disability
 - e) Alimony/child support
 - f) Food stamps/HEAP/Etc.
 - g) Veterans
 - h) Unemployment
 - i) Welfare
 - j) Insurance dividends
 - k) Other
- 8) Verification of ALL land owned (Deed or title to property).
- 9) Verification of Certificates of Deposit (Produce all financial documentation).
- 10) Verification of all annuities, insurance income, etc.

Please submit income documentation from the listing above that applies to all members of your household.

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EXHIBIT "B"

Town of Hamburg "Housing Renovation Program" Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) Data Collection

Ethnicity: (Select only one)

Hispanic or Latino: _____

Not Hispanic or Latino: _____

Race: (Select one or more)

American Indian or Alaska Native: _____

Asian: _____

Black or African American: _____

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander: _____

White: _____

Person(s) residing in home and ages (Including the applicant):

Name: _____ Age: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

This information will NOT be used in the selection of program participants. All housing is available on an Equal Opportunity Basis. The Town of Hamburg heeds all Federal Fair Housing Laws as well as having its own Fair Housing Ordinance. In addition, the Town of Hamburg is under contract with Housing Opportunities Made Equal (HOME) to further Fair Housing within the town. For more information on Fair Housing, please contact the Town of Hamburg or Housing Opportunities Made Equal. For a brochure on the Town of Hamburg's efforts pertaining to Fair Housing, please contact 648-6216. (April, 2017)