

NORTON CITY/COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Norton County Housing Rehab Program

Application for Home Rehab Program

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: Give your older home in Almena, Lenora or Norton a major upgrade and receive a rebate grant of up to 10% for material purchases. Home must be owner-occupied, and eligible upgrades must qualify as a major rehabilitation project with material purchases exceeding \$20,000.

PROGRAM PARAMETERS:

1. Properties must be owner-occupied and located within city limits of Almena, Lenora or Norton.
2. Rebate:
 - a. 8.5% of material purchases if less than 90% locally purchased. Paid upon evidence of project completion to Housing Rehab Committee (“Committee”) and applies only to material costs, which must be documented by contractor/homeowner, and must exceed \$20,000 per approved project.
 - b. Or 10.0% of material purchases if over 90% locally purchased. Paid upon evidence of project completion by Committee and applies only to material costs, which must be documented as 90% purchased from Norton County retailers by contractor/homeowner and must exceed \$20,000 per approved project.
3. Homeowner/contractor must be able to demonstrate to Committee a level of experience in the area of property rehab or present a plan utilizing contracted resources to accomplish the rehab process.

PROGRAM PROCESS:

1. Homeowner submits an application complete with all required items to the NC/CED office for Housing Rehab Committee review.
2. The Committee reviews the application and notifies homeowner of results.
3. Before/after photos furnished for documentation.
4. Rebate paid to homeowner.

ELIBIBLE UPGRADES:

Structural: Foundations; Sagging/rotten beams, joints and columns; stairs/porches; roofs/chimneys; flooring.

Energy Conservation: Insulation of ceilings & walls; repair/replacement of windows and doors; caulking/weather stripping; removal & installation of new roof covering; painting/replacement of siding/trim.

Modernization: Plumbing and plumbing fixtures; furnace and water heaters; air conditioning; lighting and wiring; repairing of walls, ceilings and floors.

EXAMPLES:

1. Total Rehab Project cost = \$50,000 and material cost = \$20,000 (less than 90% local content)
Rebate Grant = $\$20,000 \times 8.5\% = \$1,700$
2. Total Rehab Project cost = \$100,000 and material cost = \$55,000 (over 90% local content)
Rebate Grant = $\$55,000 \times 10\% = \$5,500$

APPLICATION for HOME REHAB PROGRAM REBATE

Address of Property:

1. Applicant Name:

Mailing Address:

Phone:

E-Mail:

2. House Details:

of Bedrooms?

of Bathrooms?

Garage Bays?

Finished Basement? Yes No Partial

Central Heat? AC?

3. Applicant Background

Will you complete the work yourself?

Are you a Licensed Contractor?

4. Declarations:

Do you own this property?

Do you reside in this property?

I have applied for assistance for this or another property? If so, please specify details:

All property taxes are current on this property?

Have you, or do you plan to apply for and keep in force all permits required by any federal, state, county or local government agency or authority for the work to be performed at the Property?

Summarize the project, including budget for all rehab work and completion timeline, and any related bids for materials and/or labor. The budget provided should include general line items for all expenses including permits, construction materials and labor costs, **All bids must be in writing**. A brief description of work performed under each line item of the budget should be included. If any special mitigation or teardown is anticipated, please identify the same and the area on the property requiring mitigation. Please **include photographs of the property, particularly areas requiring rehab work, if possible**. Please also include drawings any graphical representations necessary to describe the work.

CERTIFICATION

I/we hereby certify that all of the information that is submitted on this application and in conjunction with it is true and accurate to the best of my/our knowledge. I/we understand that failure to disclose all information or the submission of incorrect information may result in denial of assistance and participation in the Norton County Housing Rehab Program. I/we understand that whether or not the application is approved is a decision that is at the sole discretion of NC/CED its representatives, officers, agents, and assigns.

_____ Date: _____
Applicant's Signature

_____ Date: _____
Co-Applicant's Signature (if applicable)