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### **HOUSING REHABILITATION NEEDS SURVEY LAUNCHED**

March 29, 2010 Waterloo, NY – The Seneca County Department of Planning and Community Development is accepting Housing Rehabilitation Assistance Needs Surveys from low-to-moderate income Seneca County homeowners in need of assistance with home repairs. This survey is part of Seneca County's application to the competitive 2010 New York State Community Development Block Grant program for up to \$750,000 in housing repair assistance. Homeowners who complete and turn in the survey, and who are income-eligible will be placed on a waiting list for assistance in the event that Seneca County is awarded housing rehabilitation funding.

Needs Surveys are available for download from the Seneca County Website at <http://www.co.seneca.ny.us/>, and at the Seneca County Department of Human Services, Seneca Housing, Inc., and the Cayuga-Seneca Community Action Agency. Needs Surveys will be collected on a continually throughout the year – there is no due date. However, the waiting list will be prioritized on a first-eligible, first served basis.

Completing a Needs Survey does not mean nor imply that you will receive housing repair assistance. The Community Development Block Grant program is an extremely competitive state-wide program with federally-mandated income eligibility and home ownership requirements.

Homeowners who complete a Needs Survey may be contacted for additional information. All personal information will be kept strictly confidential. Total tallies will be used for housing repair grant applications.

Please contact Peter Brown, Seneca County Grants Management Specialist at (315) 539-1726 or by mail at 1 DiPronio Drive, Waterloo, NY 13165, with questions. Additional Information regarding Seneca County's Community Development Block Grant application will be available at the grant application's 7 pm, Monday April 12<sup>th</sup> 2010 public hearing at the Seneca County Office for the Aging, 1 DiPronio Drive, Waterloo, NY 13165.

# SENECA COUNTY HOUSING REHABILITATION ASSISTANCE NEEDS SURVEY

*Please note all information will be kept confidential. Submitting this survey will help Seneca County apply for housing rehabilitation grant funds, match your needs with existing programs, and put you on our list of homeowners in need of housing repairs. Total tallies will be used for grant applications for housing funding. You may be contacted for additional information.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Do you own or rent? \_\_\_\_\_ How long? \_\_\_\_\_ Approximate year home was built: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Home: (circle one)    Mobile Home    Single Family    Multiple Family

How many total people in Household? \_\_\_\_\_ How many Bedrooms in home? \_\_\_\_\_

Number of persons by age?    \_\_\_ Children 0-15    \_\_\_ Teens 16-20    \_\_\_ Adults 21-59    \_\_\_ Over 60

*Find the line for total number of persons in household and check total your yearly household income:*

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|-------------------|---|---|---|---|
| <b>1 person:</b>  | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$12,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$20,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$32,050 | <input type="checkbox"/> more than \$32,050 |
| <b>2 people:</b>  | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$13,700 | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$22,900 | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$36,600 | <input type="checkbox"/> more than \$36,600 |
| <b>3 people:</b>  | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$15,400 | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$25,750 | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$41,200 | <input type="checkbox"/> more than \$41,200 |
| <b>4 people:</b>  | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$17,150 | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$28,600 | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$45,750 | <input type="checkbox"/> more than \$45,750 |
| <b>5 people:</b>  | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$18,500 | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$30,900 | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$49,400 | <input type="checkbox"/> more than \$49,400 |
| <b>6 people:</b>  | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$19,900 | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$33,200 | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$53,050 | <input type="checkbox"/> more than \$53,050 |
| <b>7 people:</b>  | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$21,250 | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$35,450 | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$56,750 | <input type="checkbox"/> more than \$56,750 |
| <b>8+ people:</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$22,650 | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$37,750 | <input type="checkbox"/> less than \$60,400 | <input type="checkbox"/> more than \$60,400 |

*How much do you pay per month for:*

Mortgage or Rent? \_\_\_\_\_ Heat and Electric? \_\_\_\_\_ Municipal Water? \_\_\_\_\_

*What are the main repairs or problems that you would like help with?* \_\_\_\_\_

*Please check any of the following statements that are true about your home:*

- The roof leaks and/or has missing shingles
- The basement leaks
- The house has open cracks or holes in the interior walls or ceiling
- There are holes in the floors
- Paint is peeling or plaster is broken for more then 1 sq. ft of an interior wall
- I do not have hot and cold running water, a flush toilet, and bathtub or shower
- We do not have exclusive use of a stove, installed sink and refrigerator
- The house has exposed electrical wiring
- The house is not connected to public sewer or a working septic system
- We can not drink the water in the house
- The house is heated using unventilated gas, kerosene, or oil heaters
- One or more rooms do not have working wall electrical outlets
- There was no heat for more than 6 hours three times during the last winter
- There are visible cracks in the foundation of the house