

Woodbury HRA Program Guidelines

Home Improvement Fund

Program Overview: The City of Woodbury, in partnership with the Greater Metropolitan Housing Corporation (GMHC), has made down payment and closing cost assistance loans available to encourage homeownership in the City of Woodbury. Current available dollars for loans are based upon the fund balance for any given period.

Loan Amount: The maximum loan amount is \$25,000. Minimum loan amount \$2,000.

Interest Rate & Loan Term: The interest rate will be fixed at 3%, and the monthly payment will be fixed. Borrowers aged 65 or older or who are military veterans shall have an interest rate of 2.75%. Maximum loan term is 15 years. Loan is due upon sale, transfer of title, refinance or if the property ceases to be owner-occupied.

Loan Security: All loans will be secured by a mortgage in favor of the City. The loan may be secured in a subordinate lien position behind other loans. Applicant will be required to obtain title insurance on this loan for the City of Woodbury.

Borrower Eligibility:

- <u>Debt to Income Limit</u>: Borrowers' monthly debts cannot exceed 50% of monthly income.
- <u>Credit:</u> Standard underwriting criteria apply.
- <u>Income Limit</u>: Applicant total gross annual household income cannot exceed the following limits:

Household Size	Income Limit
1-4	\$76,800
5-6	\$81,200
7-8	\$85,600
9+	\$90,000

Property Eligibility:

- Owner-occupied properties located within the City of Woodbury.
- The taxable market value as determined by Washington County may not exceed \$275,000 for the current year.
- Single family housing units are eligible.
- Condominiums & townhouses are eligible for individual interior repairs only.
- Properties may not be within the flood plain as identified by FEMA.
- Borrower's existing first mortgage must be a prime/A-rated fixed rate mortgage loan.
- The borrower's combined mortgage debt including the Woodbury loan cannot exceed 100 percent of the property value, based on the taxable market value as determined by Washington County for the current year. Applicants may also submit a third party appraisal that has been completed within the last 6 months. Such an appraisal is to be obtained by the applicant at their expense.

Eligible Improvements: Work shall include repairs, replacement, and new construction that will:

- Correct local or state code deficiencies, health and safety items
- Improve value of the home (e.g. general home remodeling, home additions, etc.)
- Improve handicap accessibility
- Reduce long-term energy costs



<u>Ineligible Improvements</u>: Recreational/luxury improvements, working capital, debt service or refinancing of existing debts.

Application & Loan Disbursement Process

DO NOT SIGN ANY CONTRACTS OR START YOUR PROJECT UNTIL A CLOSING HAS TAKEN PLACE. ANY PROJECT BEGUN BEFORE A LOAN CLOSING HAS TAKEN PLACE WILL BE INELIGIBLE FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM.

Application Process: Completed applications will be processed by the Housing *Resource* Center (HRC) on a first-come, first-served basis, as funds are available until all program funds are committed. After loan approval you will be notified to come to the HRC for a loan closing to sign a Note and Mortgage.

Rehabilitation Consulting: HRC consultants will be available to advise borrowers about proposed projects and conduct an optional initial home inspection. HRC will review bid(s) for reasonableness.

Loan Costs: A credit report fee paid by applicant at time of application; filing fee and title policy paid by borrower at closing. The title policy may be financed through the loan.

<u>Contractors & Permits</u>: Contractors must be properly licensed by the state of Minnesota when required. Permits must be obtained when required by city code.

<u>Total Project Cost:</u> It is the borrower's responsibility to obtain the amount of funds necessary to finance the entire cost of the work. If the final cost exceeds the loan amount, the borrower must obtain the additional funds. Borrower's contribution to project cost must be paid prior to release of loan funds. HRC can direct borrowers to additional financing sources.

Work Completion: Weather permitting, work must be completed within 120 days of loan closing.

<u>Disbursement Process</u>: Loan funds will remain in escrow at GMHC until payment for completed work. The following items must be received before the funds can be released:

- Final Invoice from each contractor showing all amounts paid and due.
- **Lien Waiver** Original from each contractor.
- W-9 signed by each contractor.
- **Completion Certificate** signed by each contractor and the borrower.
- **Permits Closed**. Have the inspector sign the permit card, or have the inspector leave a message at the HRC (651) 486-7401.
- **Final Inspection** and approval by the HRC.

It may take up to 10 business days after receipt of above items to prepare checks. Payment checks to contractors must be countersigned by the borrower. Lien waivers must be provided before the funds will be released.

The HousingResource Center – North & East Metro is the Program Administrator. Please call the HRC's loan consultants at (651) 486-7401 with any questions about the program.

GMHC HousingResource Center

GMHC Housing*Resource* Center 1170 Lepak Court Shoreview, MN 55126

DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR APPLICATION

- Please complete and sign the Woodbury Home Improvement Loan Application and all attached forms.
- 2 most recent Federal Income Tax Returns (including all forms, schedules, W-2's and 1099's) from all adult household members
- Copy of current mortgage statement
- Income Verification from all adult household members:
 - o Wage-earners: 2 current and consecutive pay stubs from your employer.
 - o Self-Employment income: Signed year to date income and expense statement
 - o Social Security income: Latest Benefit/Award Letter from Social Security
 - o If you receive other income such as retirement, pension, child support, etc., please provide current verification. Bank statements cannot be used to verify. Please call the Housing *Resource* Center for further directions.
- Copy of current photo ID from <u>all loan applicants</u> (Drivers' License preferred). ID number must be legible
- Divorce Decree if applicable for income or property information
- Copy of the bid from each contractor you intend to hire. If you are planning on doing some or all of the labor yourself, please call the Housing *Resource* Center for information about the sweat equity process.
- Contractor Acknowledgment Form (attached) signed by all contractors you intend to hire
- Credit Report Fee: \$20.00 per married couple; \$15.00 per non-married borrower. Please make check payable to GMHC.

MAIL OR DELIVER COMPLETED APPLICATIONS WITH REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION TO:

Housing Resource Center – North & East Metro 1170 Lepak Court Shoreview, MN 55126

The Housing *Resource* Center staff will process the application and schedule a loan closing with you. If you have any questions, please call (651) 486-7401

Woodbury Home Improvement Loan Application

I. APPLICANT INFORMATION	ON .	APPLICATION DATE:	
Applicant Name:			
Applicant Birthdate:	Applicant Socia	al Security Number:	
Co-Applicant Name:			
Co- Applicant Birthdate:	Co-Applicant Soci	al Security Number:	
Street Address:	14 4 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	, Woodbury, MN	Zip:
Home Telephone:	Work Telephone:		Cell:
E-mail:			
How did you hear about this p	program?		
II. INTEREST RATE INCENT Please check one of the follow Applicant is 65 years old or or	wing if you qualify to receive the		
	Active Military Duty (please providence)	de documentation)	
III. HOUSEHOLD COMPOSI			
Total Number of Household Mer			
	Number 18+ with income:	Number 18+ without inco	ome:
Sources of income include: was	oradic, and/or seasonal income fro ges, salaries, overtime, tips, bonuse ort, alimony, disability/social security	s, commissions, self-employ	ment, workers compensation,
Name:	Employer/Source:	Occupation:	Gross Annual Income:
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V. IMPROVEMENTS			
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Requested Loan Amount \$_

VI. CREDIT I	NFORMATION (attach a	dditional sheet if ne	ecessary)	
	Financial Institution/Cred	itor:	Current Balance:	Monthly Payment:
Mortgage(s):				
Auto Loan(s):				
Credit Cards:				
Other Debt(s):				
VII PROPER	TY INFORMATION			
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	sole owner of record on the hold a contract for deed?			ord:
5. Year home v	vas purchased:	6. Purcha	ase price: \$	_
7. What is the	outstanding balance on th	e mortgage? \$	M o	onthly payment: \$
	rent on your mortgage pay property in foreclosure? (c			
9. Estimated M	larket Value listed on curr	ent property tax s	statement: \$	_
10. Alternate p	roperty value (i.e. apprais	al no more than 6	6 months old): \$	
	ve any other outstanding li t are they and what are th		erty? (check one): □ Yes □ es?	No
12. Have your p	property taxes and/or any	special assessm	ents been paid up to date? (check one): □ Yes □ No
13. If you are r	ecently divorced & retaine	ed the property, h	as a Quit Claim Deed been	filed? (check one): □ Yes □ No
			aw, that the above information agree to the above provisions.	is true and correct to the best of
ALL APPLICAN	TS MUST SIGN BELOW:			
		 Date	Applicant	Date
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Applicant			Applicant	Date

THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND RETURNED WITH THE APPLICATION

DATA PRIVACY ACT

In accordance with Minnesota Government Data Practices Act the Greater Metropolitan Housing Corporation (GHMC) is required to inform you of your rights regarding the private data collected from you.

Private data, collected from you or from other organizations authorized by you, is used to determine your eligibility for programs administered by GMHC. The use of private data we collect is limited to that necessary for administering programs and providing our services.

You may refuse to provide the requested information. If you do not provide the requested information, you may not be eligible for specific loans, grants or services.

Unless authorized by state or federal law, other government agencies using the reported private data must also treat the information as private. You may wish to exercise your rights as contained in the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act. These rights include:

- 1) The right to see and obtain copies of the data maintained on you
- 2) The right to be told the contents and meaning of data
- 3) The right to contest the accuracy and completeness of the data

I have read	d and understand the above information	regarding my	rights as a subject of government data.
	Print Name	-	Print Name
Date:	Signature	Date:	Signature
	Print Name	-	Print Name
Date:	Signature	Date:	Signature

ADDENDUM TO APPLICATION

Woodbury Loan Program

Information for Government Monitoring Purposes

The information being requested below is for determining compliance with federal equal credit opportunity, fair housing and home mortgage disclosure law. You are not required to furnish this information, but are encouraged to do so. The law provides that a Lender may not discriminate on the basis of this information, or on whether you choose to furnish the information. If you choose not to furnish this information and you have made the application in person, we are required to note ethnicity, race and sex on the basis of visual observation or surname. Please check below if you choose not to furnish the information.

DATE OF APPLICATION:	
APPLICANT	CO-APPLICANT
APPLICANT NAME:	CO-APPLICANT NAME:
☐ I do not wish to furnish this information	☐ I do not wish to furnish this information
ETHNICITY: (select only one) Hispanic or Latino Not Hispanic or Latino	ETHNICITY: (select only one) Hispanic or Latino Not Hispanic or Latino
GENDER: Female Male	GENDER: Female Male
RACE: (select one or more) White Black/African American Asian American Indian/Alaska Native Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander American Indian/Alaska Native & White Asian & White Black/African American & White American Indian/Alaska Native & Black/African American Other Multi Racial	RACE: (select one or more) White Black/African American Asian American Indian/Alaska Native Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander American Indian/Alaska Native & White Asian & White Black/African American & White American Indian/Alaska Native & Black/African American Other Multi Racial
APPLICANT SIGNATURE	CO-APPLICANT SIGNATURE
This Section	For Lender Use
Greater Metropolitan Housing Corporation	
Application received by: mail face-to-face in	nterview:telephone
Staff Name:	Date

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AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION

I have applied for a loan or grant through the Greater Metropolitan Housing Corporation (GMHC), at the Housing Resource CenterTM. As part of the application process, employees of GMHC may verify information contained in my/our loan or grant application and in other documents required in connection with the loan. This verification process can be conducted either prior to closing or subsequent to closing, and may be performed either by employees of GMHC or by independent third parties, as a part of the origination, processing, underwriting, closing or quality control programs of GMHC.

I authorize you to provide to GMHC and to any investor to whom GMHC may sell my loan, to any servicer or any funder of the program for which I have applied, any and all information and documentation that they request. Such information includes, but is not limited to employment history, income; bank, money market and other financial account balances; credit history; copies of income tax returns and property information.

A copy of this authorization may be accepted as	s an original.		
Your prompt reply is appreciated.			
Thank you			
Print Name	Social Security Number – last 4 digits	Date	
Signature			

NOTE: Use a separate form for each individual who is an applicant, guarantor or other individual whose information is considered in the application.

Only one person signs each form.

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Signature			
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City of Woodbury Housing and Redevelopment Authority SUBORDINATION POLICY

In the event that a borrower refinances their superior mortgage debt, the HRA will agree to subordinate its loan(s) only upon the conditions listed below.

POLICY

I. Allowance of Subordination

The HRA will allow its loans to be subordinated if:

- 1. The borrower is refinancing an existing and superior mortgage debt for the sole purpose of reducing the interest rate on said superior debt. In this case the borrower shall not receive cash back as part of the transaction (with the exception of the amount needed to pay closing fees); or
- 2. The borrower is refinancing an existing superior mortgage debt for the purpose of reinvesting in their property new capital improvements that will increase the value of the property to the level of the cost of the improvement. In this case the borrower shall be allowed to receive cash back as part of the transaction as long as the combined loan to value (CLTV) consists of the proposed financing plus the current balances due on all liens against the property not exceeding 110 percent. A copy of the construction contract for the improvement will be supplied to the City.

II. Miscellaneous Underwriting Requirements

In addition to the policy requirements set forth in Section 1 above, for the HRA to allow its loan to be subordinated, the following requirements must be met:

- 1. Loan payments to the HRA must be current and shall have been timely made within the past 12 months;
- 2. There shall be no delinquent property taxes on the parcel secured by the HRA loan;
- 3. The borrower shall not have filed for bankruptcy after receiving the HRA's loans;
- 4. The subordination will be to the first mortgage only.

III. Fees

The HRA shall not charge a fee to allow eligible borrowers to subordinate an HRA loan. Any fees or costs incurred in the subordination process must either be borne by the borrower or rolled into the new first mortgage financing.

IV. Authority to Subordinate

If the policy requirements set forth above are met, any one of the following HRA officers shall be allowed to sign a subordination agreement as approved to form by the City Attorney's Office: HRA Chair; HRA Vice Chair; HRA Secretary; HRA Executive Director; HRA Clerk; HRA Treasurer.

V. Interpretation

Any questions of interpretation of this policy shall be decided by the Executive Director.

I certify that I have read and understand this	subordination policy.
Borrower	
Borrower	
Data	

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Request for Transcript of Tax Return

► Request may be rejected if the form is incomplete or illegible.

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our au	lse Form 4506-T to order a transcript or other return information free of charge. tomated self-help service tools. Please visit us at IRS.gov and click on "Order a r return, use Form 4506, Request for Copy of Tax Return. There is a fee to ge	Return or Account Transcript" or	an quickly request transcripts by usir call 1-800-908-9946. If you need a c	ng opy
1a	Name shown on tax return. If a joint return, enter the name shown first. 1b	First social security number on tax number, or employer identification	return, individual taxpayer identifica n number (see instructions)	tion
2a	If a joint return, enter spouse's name shown on tax return. 2b	Second social security number identification number if joint t		,
3	Current name, address (including apt., room, or suite no.), city, state, and 2	ZIP code (see instructions)		
4	Previous address shown on the last return filed if different from line 3 (see	instructions)		
5	If the transcript or tax information is to be mailed to a third party (such as a and telephone number.	a mortgage company), enter the	third party's name, address,	
	Greater Metropolitan Housing Corp, 1170 Lepak Court, Shoreview, MI	N 55126 ph: (651) 486-740	1 fax: (651) 486-7424	
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b	Account Transcript, which contains information on the financial status assessments, and adjustments made by you or the IRS after the return wand estimated tax payments. Account transcripts are available for most ret	as filed. Return information is lir	nited to items such as tax liability	
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8	Form W-2, Form 1099 series, Form 1098 series, or Form 5498 series to these information returns. State or local information is not included with transcript information for up to 10 years. Information for the current year is example, W-2 information for 2011, filed in 2012, will likely not be available purposes, you should contact the Social Security Administration at 1-800-77	the Form W-2 information. The generally not available until the year from the IRS until 2013. If you not	IRS may be able to provide this ear after it is filed with the IRS. For eed W-2 information for retirement	
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9	Year or period requested. Enter the ending date of the year or period years or periods, you must attach another Form 4506-T. For requests each quarter or tax period separately. 12/31/2013	d, using the mm/dd/yyyy forma relating to quarterly tax return 12/31/2014	t. If you are requesting more than s, such as Form 941, you must o	four enter
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CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

1.	The Housing <i>Resource</i> Center (HRC) is the administrator of a housing program that <u>may</u> provide (if there is a Closing as
	defined below) some or all of the funds to pay for the construction work, in the form of a loan or grant or rebate to;

Print Homeowner's Name:_			
Print Project Address:	-		

- 2. The contractor as named below (and subcontractors as applicable), are currently and shall be during the time of work, in full compliance with all State and local licensing and insurance laws, and a copy of the license certificate is attached hereto.
- 3. All work by the contractor as named below (and subcontractors as applicable) at the above project address shall be in full compliance with all current state and local building codes, zoning codes and any other applicable laws and regulations.
- 4. All necessary and required State and local construction permits shall be obtained and paid for <u>by the contractor</u> as named below. The contractor shall not direct or request the homeowner to pull the permit. Such permits shall be properly closed-off with proof thereof submitted to the homeowner or HRC. Such proof shall be in the form of either;
 - a. The original permit card or the inspector's business card signed/initialed and dated by the authorized inspector.
 - b. Request the authorized inspector to call the Housing Resource Center (651) 486-7401 and leave a message as to the status of the permit. Note each inspector must be specifically requested to call.
 - c. The closed permit appears on the local inspection department computer or in their files.
- 5. The Housing *Resource* Center reviews all documents, as supplied by the homeowner and contractor, for conformance to the program guidelines. If all documents are in order the homeowner can close on the funds by signing certain documents. Unless and until there is an official Closing the project is not approved for the program. The contractor is welcome to call the HRC to find out if there was a Closing.
- 6. Prior to the Closing the contractor shall submit to the homeowner a <u>Contract for Construction</u> and this <u>Contractor Acknowledgement</u> form, both properly filled out and signed.
- 7. The Contract (bid, proposal, estimate) must clearly and legibly contain each and every of the following six items;
 - a. Contractor's business name, address, phone and fax numbers.
 - b. Homeowner's name and project address.
 - c. Complete and detailed description of all proposed work including brand name materials/equipment with models, sizes, quantities, locations and warrantees.
 - d. Total contract price and separate prices for options. Clearly state if cost of building permit is or isn't included.
 - e. Dated signature of the contractor.
 - f. Blank space for dated signature of the homeowner. Note the homeowner is advised not to sign the contract until closing.
- 8. The Housing *Resource* Center is not a party to the Contract nor subsequent changes if any, and the ultimate responsibility for payment of work completed is by and with the homeowner.
- 9. No work shall start prior to the Date of Closing. All work per the Contract, including close-off of all open permits and submittal of required paperwork, shall be completed within 90 consecutive days from the Date of Closing. The contractor should obtain a signed contract from the homeowner and find out from the homeowner or HRC the date of closing, to assure all work is completed within 90 days. Also allow for the homeowners 3 day right to cancel the contract.
- 10. Prior to release of any program funds the contractor must complete the work per the Contract and submit for HRC approval the following <u>original</u> items; a) <u>Final Invoice</u> showing the contractor's business name and address, the homeowner's name and project address, a brief description of the work for which payment is requested and all amounts paid and due; b) A valid <u>Lien</u> Waiver for the same amount as the invoice; c) <u>Permits Closed</u> with proof submitted per_item #4 above; d) <u>Contractor's and Homeowner's signatures on the HRC Completion Certificate</u> form provided. In addition the release of funds is contingent on the HRC construction manager certifying that they have visited the site and observed the completed work.
- 11. The contractor as named below and any of its agents hereby states they have not and shall not collude, conspire or connive in any manner whatsoever to; a) Fix the price on the bid or contract or any element thereof. b) Submit a bogus or sham bid. c) Provide any unlawful incentive or advantage to any party of interest on this project.
- 12. Payments from program funds are for completed work and installed materials only, no funds are available for down payments. Two party checks are made out to both the contractor and homeowner, are delivered to the homeowner who is to countersign it and deliver it to the contractor.

Contractor's Business Name	Contractor	's Bu	siness	Name
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City/State License #:

As the owner or duly authorized representative of the contractor, I hereby acknowledge and understand items 1 thru 12 above. Contractor's Signature:

Date: