

Community Development Block Grant Program

SCRANTON, PA---The Commissioners of Lackawanna County are pleased to announce the release of \$1,935,721 in 2005 Community Development Block Grant funds by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Department of Community and Economic Development. These monies were requested, and are to be administered, by the Lackawanna County Office of Economic and Community Development.

"The Commonwealth has approved \$1,586,628 in grant money to be distributed for projects in 11 Lackawanna County communities and \$349,093 to be used by the County itself for additional projects including support of the County's First Time Homebuyer's Program," indicated Secretary Dennis Yablonsky, Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development.

The municipalities, the amounts each will receive and their proposed uses are as follows (in alphabetical order):

Archbald - \$138,928 – Storm sewer construction on Rella and Lisa Drives;

Blakely - \$150,466 – Street paving with handicapped access;

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Clarks Summit - \$123,287 – Senior citizen apartment complex on State Street;

Dickson City - \$138,714 – Curb and Sidewalk installation on Morgan and
Bowman Streets;

Dunmore - \$250,417 – 2nd Ward Redevelopment area paving;

Jessup - \$117,454 – Senior Citizen Complex project;

Old Forge - \$175,786 – Storm sewer installation in Austin Heights;

Olyphant - \$121,171 – Storm sewer installation along the Lackawanna River for
flood control;

Scott Township - \$120,499 – Housing Rehabilitation;

Taylor - \$142,574 – Sanitary sewer installation on S. Ridge and W. Grove Streets
and a Storm sewer installation on Pond Street;

Throop - \$107,332 – Sanitary sewer installation on Mary and Meade Streets.

“We are very pleased that Lackawanna County and its municipal governments continue to work together for the benefit of all. These projects, which focus on infrastructure, are critical to the economic future of these communities individually and Lackawanna County as a whole,” said Commissioner Robert C. Cordaro.

For more information on the CDBG Program, please contact Glenn Pellino, Executive Director of the Lackawanna County Office of Economic and Community Development at 963-6830.