

EMERGENCY REPAIR ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
COUNTY OF LACKAWANNA
OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Consideration for emergency assistance will be given to those items that pose an immediate threat to the occupants of the home. "Emergency items" will be limited to: roof, plumbing, electrical systems and structural."

Requirements for the Emergency Repair Assistance Program are:

(1) Subsidies will be awarded to individuals who complete a financial determination and eligibility interview designed and administered by the County or their sub-recipient. Participants must have verified annual gross household incomes at or below 80% of median income for Lackawanna County.

No. in Household:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Low/Moderate:	\$23,750	\$32,850	\$36,950	\$41,050	\$44,300	\$47,600	\$50,900	\$54,150
Very Low:	\$17,950	\$20,500	\$23,100	\$25,650	\$27,700	\$29,750	\$31,800	\$67,700

(2) Emergency subsidies cannot exceed \$4,000 per unit. For those who qualify, emergency assistance will be provided at a 3:1 ratio. 75% of the successful contract bid will be subsidized with emergency assistance funds and the remaining 25% will be the required contribution from the applicant (i.e. for every \$3 subsidized the applicant must contribute \$1). This contribution requirement will be waived in cases where applicant is certified "very-low" income.

(3) Any household assisted with an emergency repair assistance subsidy will be secured by a property lien (currently a \$26 filing fee) for the total amount of awarded funds. Any sale or transfer of the property within 5 years will subject the seller to full repayment. After the 5th year the lien will be satisfied and no repayment is required.

(4) The property assisted can neither be a mobile home ("trailer") nor can it be a two-family or multi-family structure.

(5) The property assisted must be within the County of Lackawanna.

*Please note: If your emergency entails the repair/replacement of an inoperable heating system, direct your inquiries to the Scranton/Lackawanna Human Development Agency (SLHDA) at 963-6836.

For more information call 963-6830:
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