



Home Emergency Repair Program



The Home Emergency Repair Program is designed to assist lower income homeowners with repairs to their residence for health and safety issues that contribute to an immediate hazard. All residents of the city who meet the lower income criteria are potentially eligible. Many homeowners can not repay a loan therefore the Home Emergency Program eliminates any repayment for the costs of repairs if the homeowner remains in the home for a period of 5 years.

Income Eligibility Guidelines

The household income of an eligible homeowner cannot exceed 50% AMI (Area Median Income) for the Lima area. All financial information provided by applicants will be verified with written consent from the applicant.

Maximum Incomes by Household Size Are:

Persons in Household	Maximum Income	Persons in Household	Maximum Income
1 Person	\$ 18,900	5 Persons	\$ 29,150
2 Persons	\$ 21,600	6 Persons	\$ 31,300
3 Persons	\$ 24,300	7 Persons	\$ 33,450
4 Persons	\$ 27,000	8 Persons	\$ 35,600

Limits of Assistance and Repairs

All emergency repair work will be based on an, on-site assessment by the city’s housing rehabilitation staff, with detailed specifications prepared for eligible repairs. The maximum amount available to a qualified homeowner will be \$5,000, but will not be more than what is necessary to address health and safety items. If the extent and number of issues are greater than what can be addressed with the maximum the emergency program may not be able to assist.

Eligible Repairs Could Include:

- hazardous or non-operational electric service
- blocked or broken sewer lateral
- leaking gas lines or main
- broken water service line
- leaking roof (limited to area)
- severe leaking water or drain lines
- severely damaged window/door
- inoperable water heater
- visible hazardous wiring or components
- hazardous floor/wall/ceiling areas
- improperly vented fuel-burning appliances
- non-operational toilet

For more information contact DCD’s Housing Division (419-221-5147)

