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City of Nebraska City Seeking Pre-Applicants to Implement City-wide Housing Rehabilitation Program

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The City of Nebraska City is requesting residents needing financial assistance in completing housing rehabilitation projects to submit a pre-application by July 11, 2014. The pre-applications are being requested from potential program participants to determine a market for financing. The City anticipates submitting an application for 2014 to the Nebraska Department of Economic Development for financial assistance to continue an Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program for the City of Nebraska City.

If the City's application to NDED is approved, eligible homeowners may receive assistance to make improvements ranging from \$5,000 to \$25,000 to their homes. If funded, eligible repairs include health and safety issues and all major systems which would bring a property to accepted housing standards and extend the effective life of the house for another twenty years.

Eligibility for the Housing Rehabilitation Program is determined by several criteria including owning and occupying a single-family residence within the City of Nebraska City and meeting annual household income limits.

The program is funded through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) administered by the Nebraska Department of Economic Development and will be implemented in accordance with the Federal Fair Housing Law (The Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988).

Residents interested may stop by the City Hall located at: 1409 Central Ave, Nebraska City to pick up a brochure with additional details and a pre-application.

Information and pre-application forms are also available at the offices of the Southeast Nebraska Development District (SEND), 2631 "O" Street, Lincoln, NE 68510-1398. Questions may be directed to Jen Olds at 402.475.2560 or e-mail jolds@sendd.org.

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