

**COUNTY OF SUMMIT
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM
2009 PROJECT APPLICATION**

Applications must be TYPED and FULLY completed and submitted by the application



COUNTY OF SUMMIT
THE HIGH POINT OF OHIO
RUSSELL M. PRY, EXECUTIVE

1. APPLICANT INFORMATION (The application score will be reduced by 5 points if not completed in full.)

Name of Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Federal Identification Number: _____

Name/Title of Contact Person: _____

Name/Title of Person Completing Application: _____

E-mail Address: _____ Phone: _____

Parent Organization, if any: _____

Have you applied for HOME funds before: Yes No If yes what year(s) _____

Are you claiming status as a Non-Profit Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)? (Applicants will be required to complete a separate application)

Yes No

Agency Mission:

Summary of Housing Development Experience (list only if within the past five (5) years)

Unit Type Developed	Rehabilitation	New Construction
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Number of Rental Units	_____	_____
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Number of Ownership Units	_____	_____
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At the time of this application, how many vacant rental units does the agency own _____

At the time of this application, how many vacant new construction ownership units does the agency own _____

At the time of this application, how many vacant rehab ownership units does the agency own _____

2. ORGANIZATIONAL SERVICES Cont.

- Rental Property Management
- Rental Property Owner
- Single Family Rehabilitation
- Transportation & Delivery Services
- Weatherization Services
- Tax Credit developer
- Foreclosure Counseling
- Foreclosure Rescue Funds

Supportive Housing Special Needs Provider to:

- Abused Spouses and Their Children
- Elderly
- Homeless
- Individuals with Development Disabilities
- Individuals with Mental Disabilities
- Individuals with Physical Disabilities
- Migrant Farm Workers
- Individuals with alcohol or Other Drug Addictions
- Persons with HIV/Aids

Please describe any additional services provided by the organization not listed above: _____

3. PROJECT NARRATIVE

***** Projects can NOT be located in the Cities of Akron, Barberton or Cuyahoga Falls*****

If explanation(s) do not fit on this page, please attach additional pages

TOTAL AMOUNT OF HOME FUNDS BEING REQUESTED \$ _____

1. Need: Document the need for the project in the community, using information available in public records and/or developed by private research.

2. Target Group: Quantify the number of low- and moderate-income persons/households potentially eligible per service/activity/project.

3. Total number of low income households this project will serve _____.

4. Other Resources and Collaboration: Clearly describe other sources of funds that will be used for this project and other agencies which will be involved to complete the process. ***Please provide letters of intent from funders and/or other participating agencies.***

5. Organization Capacity: Summarize the organization's background/programmatic capacity. Does your organization or proposed project fill a unique niche among clients who are not currently served or are under-served.

6. Board Composition: Does the agency have a diverse board of directors/trustees that receives annual board training. Yes No If Yes, please provide a list of board training. *Please attach a current list of board members.*

7. Staff Composition: Describe the Executive Director's and Project Manager's experience in community development and administering HOME funds. *Attach staff resumes to application.*

8. Agency Role in Project: What is the agency's proposed role? Owner Sponsor
 Developer Property Manager Construction Manager

9. Which of the following steps has the agency completed for this project:

- Project Concept _____
- Feasibility Concept _____
- Identification of Potential Sites _____
- Preliminary Design and Cost Estimates _____
- Feasibility of Identified Sites _____
- Development Team Assembled _____ (if yes please attach list)
- Identification of Potential Funding Sources _____ (attach any support letters)
- Applications for Financing _____ (not including HOME)
- Plans, Write-Ups, Drawings, Cost Estimate _____
- Necessary Zoning and Variances _____
- Site Control _____
- Other major steps completed: _____

Note that if the agency has site control, construction or rehabilitation is based upon County approval and the results of any Environmental or Historical Reviews

10. Performance Schedule: Complete the Work Plan for implementation/completion of the services and activities identified in the Scope of Services. (Exhibit 2). In addition, the agency will be required to indicate performance measurements as they relate to the activities of your project.

11. Will this project require any relocation and/or displacement of business or residential tenants? Yes No If yes, you MUST work with the County on preparing relocation plans.

12. Will the project be carried out in partnership with any other entities? Yes No Name entities, identify whether for-profit or non-profit and describe proposed roles and capacity.

13. Identify key individuals who will be responsible for carrying out all major activities necessary to complete this project. If all staff/consultants are not yet identified, describe what efforts have and will be undertaken to engage the necessary services.

14. Community Outreach: Describe what efforts, (including public meetings), the agency has taken or plans to take to make sure the project is compatible with the neighborhood plans and strategies. What is the expected impact of the project on the neighborhood? Include minutes of meetings and/or sign-in sheets.

15. Describe any services that will be provided for the beneficiaries of the housing that will enhance the quality of the development, such as homebuyer counseling? Also describe any supportive services that will be targeted to program beneficiaries to enhance their quality of life through participating agencies.

16. Project Funding: (Complete Exhibit 1) Identify each proposed sources of financing. Explain the status of each funding source. In the event that sufficient funds are not available to fully fund this request, can this project be funded in phases? Include any cost implications which will result if phased funding occurs. (Attach additional pages if necessary)

17. Project Budget: Complete a budget (exhibit 3) summarizing the use of the proposed funding. Also complete a non-capital budget (exhibit 4) for the agency. Each contract requires a 25% match in the form of a permanent contribution to the project. Indicate where the match funds will come from, and the committed match amounts.

18. Scope of Services: Clearly describe the proposed service/activity/project to be carried out with the funds requested, include what access the clients will have to necessary public services and employment assistance. Discuss the cost-per-beneficiary in relation to private and other organizations delivering similar services. *Please include project name.* (Use additional sheet if necessary)

4. PERFORMANCE AND OUTCOME MEASUREMENTS

1. Which of the following objectives best describes the purpose of the project? (Choose One)

Suitable Living Environment

In general, this objective relates to activities that are designed to benefit communities, families, or individuals by addressing issues in their living environment.

Decent Housing

This objective focuses on housing programs where the purpose of the program is to meet individual family or community needs and not programs where housing is an element of a larger effort, since such programs would be more appropriately reported under Suitable Living Environment.

2. Which of the following outcome categories is the most applicable to the project? (Choose one category, unless the project has two outcomes of equal importance to be realized.)

Availability/Accessibility

This outcome category applies to activities that make services, infrastructure, public services, public facilities, housing, or shelter available or accessible to low-to-moderate income individuals, including persons with disabilities. In this category, accessibility refers to physical barriers as well as the availability of affordable daily living basics to low-to-moderate income individuals where they live.

Affordability

This outcome category applies to activities that provide affordability in the lives of low-to-moderate income people through a variety of ways. It can include the create or maintenance of affordable housing, basic infrastructure hook-ups, or services such as transportation or day care.

Sustainability: Promoting Livable or Viable Communities

This outcome applies to projects where the activity or activities are aimed at improving communities or neighborhoods, helping to make them livable or viable by providing benefit to individuals of low-to-moderate income or by removing or eliminating slums or blighted areas, through multiple activities or services that sustain communities or neighborhoods.

3. The outcome categories are connected to each objective for the project. Select the statement that best applies to the proposed project.

- Accessibility for the purpose of creating suitable living environments
- Accessibility for the purpose of providing decent affordable housing
- Affordability for the purpose of creating suitable living environments
- Affordability for the purpose of providing decent affordable housing
- Sustainability for the purpose of creating suitable living environments
- Sustainability for the purpose of providing decent affordable housing.

5. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1. HOME funds are provided on a reimbursement basis. Please complete the information below regarding the person responsible for submitting the agencies request for reimbursement:

Name: _____
Title: _____
Phone: _____ Fax: _____
Email: _____

2. Provide one of the following documents to prove the agency conforms to the financial accountability standards of 24 CFR 84.21:

- Notarized statement by your Chief Financial Officer or a Certified Public Accountant
- HUD-approved Audit Summary

3. Authorization and Certification: Exhibit 5 must be completed by the individual completing the HOME application. A board resolution *must* be attached acknowledging the board is aware of the application.

4. Attachments: The following items must be attached with the application:

- Most recent strategic plan (if applicable) *
- Succession plan- alternative plans for board and staff leadership *
- By laws
- Most recent newsletter – (if one exists)

- Current client application used by agency
- List of all board committees and committee members
- Current organizational flow chart indicating liens of authority

*Please note the County can provide technical assistance to agencies to provide these items.

If all items can not be provided, you must provide a reason as to why attachments are not included.

Applications must be submitted via certified mail to:

County of Summit
Department of Community and Economic Development
175 S. Main St.
Room 207
Akron, Oh 44308

Attn: Holly R. Miller – Community Development Coordinator – HOME

Facsimiles will not be accepted

Late applications will not be accepted

Please provide original application and two copies. All applications should be unbound.

If you have any questions concerning this application, please contact:

Holly Miller
Community Development Coordinator –HOME
330-643-8013

Hmiller@summitoh.net

EXHIBIT 1 PROJECT FUNDING

TOTAL COST OF PROJECT \$ _____

Proposed Source of Funding	Amount	Term	Status
1. HOME	\$	Grant/Loan	Applied
2.	\$		
3.	\$		
4.	\$		
5.	\$		
6.	\$		
7.	\$		
8.	\$		
TOTAL	\$		

If using a line of credit, please attach documentation from financial institution.

MATCH 25% of total amount awarded in HOME funds (i.e. \$200,000 = \$50,000 match)
Match must be a permanent contribution to the project. For additional explanation on Match consult with the Community Development Coordinator- HOME
Status should indicate; pending, committed, received or applied for.

Proposed Source of Match	Amount	Status
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		
7.		

EXHIBIT 2
PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

ACTIVITY (What the program does to fulfill its mission)	INDICATOR (The direct products of program activities)	OUTCOME (Benefits that result from the program)

EXHIBIT 3

CAPITAL PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY*

Budget Category	Proposed Project “HOME Portion”	Other Sources	Total
<i>Land Acquisition</i>			
Land Cost	\$	\$	\$
ER Review (non HUD)	\$	\$	\$
Consulting Fees	\$	\$	\$
Site Improvements	\$	\$	\$
<i>Development</i>			
Wages and Salaries	\$	\$	\$
Fringe Benefits	\$	\$	\$
Materials	\$	\$	\$
Soft Costs	\$	\$	\$
Carrying Costs	\$	\$	\$
Fees	\$	\$	\$
Permits	\$	\$	\$
Developers Fee	\$	\$	\$
Other Costs	\$	\$	\$
<i>Rehab/Construction</i>			
Electrical	\$	\$	\$
Plumbing	\$	\$	\$
Heating	\$	\$	\$
Interior Rehab	\$	\$	\$
Exterior Rehab	\$	\$	\$
New Construction Hard Cost	\$	\$	\$
Construction Contingency	\$	\$	\$
Contractor Profit	\$	\$	\$
Appraisal	\$	\$	\$
Legal Fees	\$	\$	\$
Permits	\$	\$	\$
Signage at Unit	\$	\$	\$
Other	\$	\$	\$
<i>TOTAL</i>	\$	\$	\$

- Please revise this form and annotate budget items as needed
- All applicants are required to submit a copy of the organizations operating budget.

EXHIBIT 4

OPERATING BUDGET SUMMARY

Budget Category	Proposed Projection "HOME Portion"	Other Sources	Total
Salaries & Wages	\$	\$	\$
Fringe Benefits	\$	\$	\$
Consultant/Contract Services	\$	\$	\$
TOTAL PERSONNEL	\$	\$	\$
Office Rent	\$	\$	\$
Utilities	\$	\$	\$
Telephone	\$	\$	\$
Office Supplies	\$	\$	\$
Equipment	\$	\$	\$
Printing/Duplication	\$	\$	\$
Travel/Conferences	\$	\$	\$
Other (Specify)	\$	\$	\$
TOTAL NON-PERSONNEL	\$	\$	\$
TOTAL BUDGET	\$	\$	\$

* Please revise this form and annotate budget items as needed*

Please indicate what the percentage of each dollar raised is used towards overhead _____

Please indicate what percentage of each dollar raised is used towards accomplishing the mission of the agency _____

EXHIBIT 5

AUTHORIZATION AND CERTIFICATION

The undersigned certifies that:

- 1. He/She is legally authorized to request and accept financial assistance from the County of Summit;**
2. To the best of his/her knowledge, all representations that are part of this application are true and correct;
3. All official documents and commitments that are part of this application have been duly authorized by the governing body of the agency;
4. Should the requested financial assistance be provided, that in execution of this project, the agency will comply with all assurance required by Federal laws that govern the HOME Investment Partnerships Program of the Department of Housing and Urban Development and all assurances set forth in the contract to be signed with the County of Summit. The agency also certifies that physical construction of the project as defined in the application has not begun and will NOT begin until a 2009 Program Year HOME Investment Partnership agreement with the County of Summit has been executed and any necessary Environmental review is completed. Action to the contrary may result in termination of the agreement.
5. No part of the agencies net earning benefit any member, founder, contributor, or individual affiliated with the agency.

Name of Certifying Representative: _____

Title of Certifying Representative: _____

Signature of Certifying Representative

Date Signed