

For Immediate Release

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Minor and Emergency Repair Storm Recovery Assistance Programs

Wichita Falls, Texas – As part of the recovery efforts from the recent winter weather storm, the City of Wichita Falls would like to encourage qualifying residents to apply for the Minor and Emergency Repair Programs through the City’s Neighborhood Resources Division. These programs are designed to assist low-to-moderate income homeowners make minor repairs to their homes and are funded by a federal grant. They may not be used in combination with any other federal funding source, disaster funding, or insurance claims.

Eligible repairs include water and wastewater plumbing, natural gas plumbing, water heaters, electrical problems, HVAC system repairs or replacement, and roof repairs or replacement. These funds cannot be used to perform repairs that are cosmetic, disturb painted surfaces or asbestos, structural in nature, involve septic tanks or manufactured homes, or generally exceed \$7,000 total. Even if residents have been quoted repair prices in excess of \$7,000, residents are encouraged to still make use of these programs, as program funding could potentially be used assist with portions of the repair for qualifying individuals.

To qualify for the program, applicants must meet program requirements including, but not limited to, the following:

- Must live within the city limits of the City of Wichita Falls.
- May only apply for the home in which they both own and live in.
- Must have owned the home for a period of 1-year.
- Property must be outside the 100-year floodplain.
- Property and home cannot be considered a historic landmark.
- Homeowner must not owe any debts to the city:
 - Property taxes should be current, or must have a deferment or payment plan on file.
 - Utility bills owed to the city should be current.
- Must not have used the programs in the previous 12 months.
- Must meet federal income qualifications for household size below:

Household Size	Income Limit
1	\$36,150
2	\$41,300
3	\$46,450
4	\$51,600
5	\$55,750
6	\$59,900
7	\$64,000
8	\$68,150

Residents can apply for assistance by calling (940) 761-7448, or in-person at Neighborhood Resources located in Room 300 at the Memorial Auditorium/City Hall, 1300 7th Street, Wichita Falls, Texas 76301. For a complete list of storm recovery resources visit: <http://bit.ly/WFStormRecovery>.