

Whole Home Repair Program Briefing for SRCOG Members

The Whole-Home Repairs Program, legislation introduced by State Representative Sara Innamorato, received a \$125-million appropriation in the 2022–2023 state budget.

Pennsylvania has some of the oldest housing stock in the nation. Hundreds of thousands of homes across the Commonwealth have moderate to severe physical inadequacies, including leaky roofs or windows, blown fuses or exposed wiring, unreliable heat, or the lack of a flushing toilet. As people struggle to simply hold on to their homes, they may be forced to forgo regular maintenance and small repairs and upgrades, deferring until a repair is more urgently needed, and more expensive.

This program is the first of its kind in the nation, making it so that Pennsylvanians can stay warm, safe, and dry in homes they can afford. Specifically, this program:

- Provides up to \$50,000 to repair, update, and adapt homes throughout Pennsylvania.
- Allocates resources for support staff to help people access the assistance they need in the order they need it.
- Funds training and pre-apprenticeship programs and provides stipends to trainees to build up the local workforce needed to meet the demand.

In Allegheny County, Action Housing is serving as the program administrator and collaborating with the Department of Human Services, Rebuilding Together Pittsburgh and Women for a Healthy Environment.

Key Facts

- 1. The program is expected to open in the spring of 2023 with a local allocation of over \$10,000,000.
- 2. Repairs can include roofs, sidewalks, windows, insulation, structural repairs and any modification that improves the safety and health of the occupant.
- 3. In order to be eligible for repairs, a community member must be a homeowner whose income is at or below 80% of the Area Median Income (AMI) for Allegheny County.

# Occupants of the	Maximum Annual Income to
Home	Qualify
1	\$53,100
2	\$60,700
3	\$68,300
4	\$75,850
5	\$81,950
6	\$88,000

Action Items for Steel Rivers COG Members

- 1. Share information about the program with your constituencies.
- 2. Collect INTEREST FORMS from residents and share with SRCOG (as@steelriverscog.org)