

Housing Assistance Programs

The Housing Division does not offer repair assistance. To help individuals obtain compliance with their housing code orders we have compiled a list of Housing Assistance Programs. The listing includes the names of assistance programs, descriptions of the assistance offered, qualifications for eligibility, and the contact information for the program.

House Warming Program

Provided through the Akron Urban League/United Services for All, the program offers a comprehensive array of services to low-income households.

Types of Repairs:

- Heating unit safety inspections
- Furnace repairs for homeowners
- Home insulation (sidewalls & attic)
- Carbon Monoxide Detector installation
- Electrical rewiring & upgrades
- Fluorescent light bulbs installation
- Energy efficient refrigeration & freezers

Applicant Eligibility:

- You must be a dominion East Ohio Gas customer or income eligible to qualify for this program.
- Accepting applications Monday thru Friday 9:00am – 4:00pm.

Contact Information:

Carl Mayes
Akron Urban League
440 Vernon Odom Blvd.
Akron, Oh 44307
(234) 542-4166
Fax: (330) 434-2716
Email: Cmayes@akronurbanleague.org

Minor Home Repair Program

The program is funded through a grant from the City of Akron. The grant provides a maximum of \$5,000 to correct health and safety items. The focus is to provide critical repairs, accessibility modifications and energy efficient upgrades to low income homes at no cost to recipients.

Types of Repairs:

- Roofing
- Electrical
- Furnace
- Plumbing
- Gutters and downspouts

- Porch and steps
- Disability access

Applicant Eligibility:

- Home must be a single family dwelling within the City of Akron
- Community Development Areas are excluded
- Owner occupied
- Proof of ownership
- Either disabled or age sixty or older
- Income is at or below 125% of poverty

Contact Information:

City of Akron
Housing Services
161 S. High St.
Akron, Oh 44308
(330) 375-2050
Fax: (330)375-2417

Emergency Home Repair

Provided through East Akron Neighborhood Development Corporation (EANDC) the Emergency Home Repair Program meets the needs of individuals and families by providing emergency repairs which threaten the basic stability and safety of their homes.

Type of Repairs:

- Hot water tank replacement
- Minor furnace, plumbing and gas line repairs
- Handicapped railings and grab bars
- Toilet repairs
- Door repairs/replacements
- Minor repairs such as sump pump

Applicant Eligibility:

- Be the homeowner (registered title)
- Meet the Emergency Home Repair Program Income Guidelines
- Have an eligible repair

Contact Information:

Anna Deger, Program Coordinator
EANDC
1035 Rosemary Blvd.
Akron, Oh 44306
(330) 773-2095
Fax: (330) 773-2108
www.eandc.org

PASSPORT – Housing Assistance Program

PASSPORT is a Medicaid Waiver program that provides older adults with additional services, so they can remain in their homes instead of being admitted to a nursing facility. The housing assistance program provides adaptations to enhance accessibility inside/outside the home. These adaptations enable an older adult to function with greater independence in the home. Services are limited and authorized after all other resources have been utilized.

Types of Repairs:

- Roofing
- Heating
- Electrical
- Plumbing
- Health and safety
- Handicap or disability access

Applicant Eligibility:

- PASSPORT clients only
- Homeowners
- Renters (for access only)

Contact Information:

April O’Herron, Housing Specialist
Area Agency on Aging
1550 Corporate Woods Parkway
Uniontown, Oh 44685
(330) 896-9172
1-800-4212-7277
Fax: (330) 896-6644
www.services4aging.org

Rebuilding Together

Rebuilding Together provides critical repairs, accessibility modifications and energy efficient upgrades to low-income homes at no cost to the service recipient.

Types of Repairs:

- Roofing
- Electrical disability access
- Yard clean-up
- Carpentry
- Heating
- Plumbing
- Painting
- Lead Abatement

Applicant Eligibility:

- 60 years of age or older or permanently disabled homeowners
- Single-family dwelling
- Property taxes current

Contact Information:

Melissa Springston
Rebuilding Together
788 Donald Ave.
Akron, Oh 44306
330-773-4100
Fax: 330-773-4116
www.rebuildingtogether-sc.org

Home Weatherization Programs

Summit County Home Weatherization Assistance Program (HWAP) and East Akron Neighborhood Development Corporation (EANDC) both provide HWAP services, but cover separate areas. EANDC serves the east side of Akron, and Summit County services the remainder of the county. HWAP is a free program to homeowners and tenants. Services can be provided to single-family or multi-family homes and trailers. Landlords may be required to assist in the cost of repairs.

Types of Repairs:

- Heating
- Electrical
- Plumbing
- Insulation of attic and sidewalls
- Carbon Monoxide testing
- Caulking (air leakage)

Applicant Eligibility:

- Homeowners or tenants (low income)
- Income cannot exceed 150% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines
- TANF and SSI recipients are automatically eligible

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Summit County Department of Community and Economic Development
Home Weatherization Assistance Program
Leann Gillenwater
175 S. Main St
Akron, Oh 44308
(330) 643-2537
www.co.summitoh.net

Housing and Community Services

The City of Akron Housing and Community Services Division performs a variety of functions related to preserving and improving the quality of our neighborhoods.

Lead Hazard Reduction – up to \$10,000 in grants will be available to each household participating in the program to be used in the elimination of lead-based paint in the home. Eligible households have incomes at 80% of the median family income, have children under the age of 6, and live in a home built before 1978 that has lead paint hazards present.

Healthy Homes Program – will reach low and moderate-income families with children, elderly and adults in Akron. The program is designed to develop, demonstrate and promote cost-effective, preventative measures to correct multiple safety hazards in the home.

Contact Information:

Department of Planning and Urban Development
Housing and Community Service Division
161 S. High St.
Akron, Oh 44308
(330) 375-2050