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Housing Resources is Awarded Funds for Housing Rehabilitation Program

Funds will enable Housing Resources to Rehabilitate 12 Homes in Mesa County

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo. (November 19, 2013) – Housing Resources of Western Colorado (HRWC) is proud to be awarded funds, \$90,000, from the State of Colorado, Department of Local Affairs, Colorado Division of Housing for fiscal year 2014. The funds received will enable their Housing Rehabilitation Program to continue to work with homeowners who are in need of rehabilitating their home.

The purpose of the Housing Rehabilitation program is to help families and individuals stay in their homes. Many of the people utilizing this program are older, disabled or on a limited income who want and need to stay in their home. They often find themselves in a difficult situation where they need to have repairs done on the home to maintain it or even have handicap modifications done to continue to function in the home. All too often they don't have access to immediate finances to make these repairs or modifications, which will often result in them having to leave their home along with their independence. This is where HRWC's program can assist them.

Housing Resources is able to help a Client acquire a loan if they have equity in their home. Housing Resources is a provider, not a lender and does not receive monies from helping Clients obtain a loan for their project. HRWC's staff helps them set-up a loan, usually, with terms from 0-3% maximum rate based on the needs of the home. Repayment is based on the Clients ability to repay the loan. HRWC staff secures the bids for the project, coordinates with contractors, helps with inspections, and assists with necessary paperwork. HRWC is able to provide safe and secure work without the fear of being taken advantage of. As a non-profit, is it HRWC's mission to ensure that people can continue to stay in their homes as long as they are able.

Eligible home improvement activities include, but are not limited to:

- Repair and/or replace plumbing, electrical systems, and mechanical systems
- Remove old shingles and install new roofing materials
- Replace old leaky windows with high efficiency dual pane windows
- Handicap accessible modifications

The Housing Rehabilitation Program income guidelines for those who own their home with some equity's:

- 1 Person Household \$34,750
- 2 Person Household- \$39,700
- 4 Person Household- \$49,600

For further information on the program or to see if you qualify, please contact the Housing Rehabilitation Coordinator, Jani Hunter at 970-778-7490. We are currently accepting applications.

About Housing Resources

Housing Resources has been in business in Mesa County for over 30 years. The mission of Housing Resources, a 501(c)(3) private non-profit corporation, is to provide affordable housing and to promote the wise and sustainable use of resources. Housing Resources offers pre-purchase and post-purchase educational services, weatherization services, opportunities for community revitalization, and the provision of quality, safe, affordable housing for those with low and moderate income. Housing Resources is a chartered member of NeighborWorks America. Learn more about Housing Resources at www.housingresourceswc.org or by calling their offices at 970-241-2871.

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