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DSHA ANNOUNCES THE RECIPIENTS OF OVER \$2 MILLION IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS & HOME FUNDS

The Delaware State Housing Authority (DSHA) today announced that 15 communities and scattered sites will receive funds from the state's Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME). A pot of over \$2 million will be divided amongst the municipalities of Kent and Sussex Counties for housing rehabilitation, demolition, and administration.

DSHA Director Sandy Johnson commented, "The Community Development Block Grant Program provides much-needed funding for a variety of housing activities in Kent and Sussex Counties. To help stretch these dollars, we've combined them with \$200,000 in HOME funds."

Recommendations for funding were made by an independent review panel whose members evaluate each application's potential benefit to low-income persons, the management capacity of the applicant and the cost-benefit of the proposed activities, including: the severity of need, impact, cost reasonableness and feasibility.

The following communities were awarded funding:

KENT COUNTY

<u>Location</u>	<u>Activities</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Cheswold	Rehabilitation	\$ 90,000
Countywide	Rehab Program Delivery	\$ 38,084
East Woodside	Rehabilitation	\$ 72,000
Frederica	Rehabilitation	\$ 90,000
Harrington	Rehabilitation	\$ 90,000
Milford	Emergency Shelter Rehab	\$ 20,000
Scattered Sites	Rehabilitation	\$210,000
Sandtown	Rehabilitation	\$ 42,500
Star Hill/Briar Park	Rehabilitation	\$ 68,500

SUSSEX COUNTY

<u>Location</u>	<u>Activities</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Blades	Rehabilitation	\$ 75,000
Bridgeville	Rehabilitation	\$ 90,000
	Demolition	\$ 10,000
Cedar Creek	Rehabilitation	\$ 75,000
Countywide	Rehab Program Delivery	\$ 36,900
Coverdale Crossroads	Rehabilitation	\$ 75,000
Greenwood	Rehabilitation	\$ 75,000
Laurel	Rehabilitation	\$ 87,500
Milford	Rehabilitation	\$ 87,500
Rural Seaford	Rehabilitation	\$ 68,000
Scattered Sites	Rehabilitation	\$170,000
	Water/Sewer Hookups	\$ 70,000
	Demolition	\$ 20,000

Kent and Sussex Counties received a combined total of \$225,016 to administer the block grant funds.

The Community Development Block Grant Program will assist more than 137 families this year. Additionally, the HOME Scattered Sites Rehabilitation Program will help more than 13 families in need of housing rehabilitation.

If you would like to learn more about how these programs may be able to help your community, please contact Andy Lorenz at (302) 739-4263 or at andy@destatehousing.com.

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