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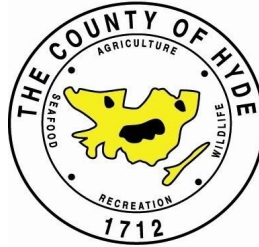
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PRESS RELEASE

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Hyde County has been awarded Urgent Repair Program 2020 funding from the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency. This program is geared towards helping the elderly, disabled, veterans and single parents who are homeowners that may need financial help with repairing their home. There will be ten homes selected based on eligibility with up to \$10,000.00 in repairs awarded to each home.

Our Urgent Repair Program (URP) finances emergency home repairs for North Carolina homeowners who are elderly or have special needs and whose incomes are below 50 percent of the median for their area. Emergency repairs correct housing conditions that threaten your life or safety, such as failing septic systems, dangerous heating systems or rotten floors. The program can also pay for accessibility modifications that allow you to remain in your home after an injury or serious illness.

To be eligible for assistance under URP 2020:

- Applicants must reside in Hyde County;
- Applicants must prove they own and occupy the home in need of repair;
- Applicants must have a household income which does not exceed 50% of the County median income for the household size (See income limits below);
- Applicants must have a special need (i.e. be elderly, older than 62 years old, handicapped or disabled, a single parent with a dependent living at home, a military veteran, a large family with greater than 5 household members or a household with a child below the age of 6 with lead hazards in the home);
- Applicants must have urgent repair needs, which cannot be met through other state or federally funded housing assistance programs;
- The property must be free of any back taxes or liens in default at the time of application unless a payment plan has been established and payments are current. If the applicant is unsure, he/she should call the Hyde County Tax Office at 252.926-4188 prior to submitting the application.

Applications can be obtained at the Hyde County Government Center, the Hyde County Government website or you can request an application be sent by mail.

Stephanie Watson, Hyde County Grant Administrator, is available to answer any questions regarding this program at (252) 926-5262 or by email at swatson@hydecountync.gov.

Application deadline is September 25, 2020. Households to be offered assistance will be selected by October 23, 2020.