

Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program in Fond du Lac County

In 2013, the Brown County Planning and Land Services Department began to administer a housing rehabilitation loan program, funded from the Wisconsin Department of Administration and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for a 10-county region of Northeastern Wisconsin, including Fond du Lac County.

The program provides 0% interest, deferred payment loans to homeowners making not more than 80% of the gross county median income depending on household size for home repairs, including such projects as the replacement of roofs, siding, windows, heating and ventilation, septic systems, wells, electrical, plumbing, handicapped accessibility, and lead paint and asbestos abatement. The income limits may be found at the following hyperlink:

http://doa.wi.gov/Documents/DOH/Household_Income_Limits.pdf.

Loan payments are deferred until such time as the home is no longer the principal place of residence for the applicant (typically when the home is sold), at which time the loan becomes payable in full. Repaid funds are then re-loaned through a revolving loan program for new projects within the region. Brown County also administers a similar program for rental properties, except that the terms of the loan are 0% interest for five years with required monthly payments. Residents with questions regarding the program or interest in applying should contact Todd Mead or Aaron Schuette of the Brown County Planning Commission at (920) 448-6480 or email at mead_td@co.brown.wi.us or schuette_am@co.brown.wi.us.