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## State Provides Housing Improvement Funding to 71 Ohio Communities

**Columbus** – The Ohio Department of Development approved more than \$34.6 million through the Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP). The grants will benefit 71 eligible Ohio communities that are interested in undertaking housing-related activities, including necessary infrastructure improvements. The program is administered by the Department’s Office of Housing and Community Partnerships.

The grants are awarded competitively and encourage a flexible, community-wide approach to the improvement and provision of affordable housing for low- and moderate-income persons, and help develop local administrative capacity.

“The investments being made today will have a lasting impact on Ohio communities by improving the look of blighted homes and residents’ living conditions,” said Christiane Schmenk, Director of the Ohio Department. “These grants support vital housing repairs and improvements, improving entire neighborhoods.”

### Fiscal Year 2011 Community Housing Improvement Program Awardees:

County	Award Recipient	Amount
Allen	Allen County	\$522,000
Ashland	Ashland County	\$500,000
Ashland	City of Ashland	\$500,000
Ashtabula	Ashtabula County	\$500,000
Ashtabula	City of Ashtabula	\$500,000
Ashtabula	City of Conneaut	\$500,000
Ashtabula	City of Geneva	\$500,000
Athens	City of Athens	\$522,400
Champaign	Champaign County	\$500,000
Champaign	City of Urbana	\$500,000
Clinton	Clinton County	\$544,000
Columbiana	City of East Palestine	\$500,000
Columbiana	Columbiana County	\$544,000
Coshocton	Coshocton County	\$500,000
Crawford	City of Galion	\$500,000
Crawford	Crawford County	\$500,000
Defiance	Defiance County	\$500,000
Delaware	City of Delaware	\$544,000
Erie	City of Vermilion	\$522,000
Gallia	Gallia County	\$500,000
Guernsey	City of Cambridge	\$544,000
Guernsey	Guernsey County	\$500,000
Henry	City of Napoleon	\$500,000
Highland	City of Greenfield	\$522,000

Highland	City of Hillsboro	\$522,000
Highland	Highland County	\$500,000
Hocking	City of Logan	\$520,000
Huron	City of Norwalk	\$544,000
Jackson	City of Jackson	\$500,000
Licking	City of Newark	\$250,000
Logan	City of Bellefontaine	\$544,000
Lorain	City of Elyria	\$250,000
Lorain	City of North Ridgeville	\$500,000
Logan	Logan County	\$500,000
Mahoning	City of Campbell	\$500,000
Mahoning	City of Struthers	\$500,000
Mahoning	Mahoning County	\$500,000
Medina	City of Medina	\$500,000
Mercer	Mercer County	\$500,000
Miami	Miami County	\$544,000
Monroe	Monroe County	\$500,000
Noble	Noble County	\$522,000
Ottawa	Ottawa County	\$522,000
Paulding	Paulding County	\$500,000
Perry	Perry County	\$500,000
Pickaway	Pickaway County	\$500,000
Pike	Pike County	\$500,000
Portage	City of Streetsboro	\$346,000
Portage	Portage County	\$488,000
Preble	Preble County	\$500,000
Putnam	Putnam County	\$544,000
Richland	City of Shelby	\$522,000
Sandusky	City of Fremont	\$522,000
Sandusky	Sandusky County	\$522,000
Seneca	Seneca County	\$500,000
Shelby	City of Sidney	\$500,000
Shelby	Shelby County	\$500,000
Trumbull	City of Cortland	\$250,000
Trumbull	City of Newton Falls	\$250,000
Tuscarawas	City of Uhrichsville	\$500,000
Union	City of Marysville	\$500,000
Union	Union County	\$476,000
Van Wert	City of Van Wert	\$500,000
Van Wert	Van Wert County	\$500,000
Washington	City of Marietta	\$250,000
Wayne	City of Wooster	\$500,000
Wayne	Wayne County	\$500,000
Williams	City of Bryan	\$520,000
Williams	Williams County	\$520,000
Wyandot	City of Upper Sandusky	\$500,000
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*The **Office of Housing and Community Partnerships** provides financial and technical assistance to units of local government and nonprofit organizations in Ohio for project activities that benefit low- and moderate-income citizens.*

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