



# STRONG NEIGHBORHOODS MENASHA

A Housing Renovation Initiative

#### **THE PROCESS**

- 1. **DO NOT** start any work or execute a contract before you've been issued an approval letter.
- 2. Fill out the application and return to City Hall via hard copy or digitally. Make sure to include all supporting documentation.
- 3. Staff will review the application for completeness and grade the project using a rubric.
- 4. Curb Appeal applications will be approved by staff with a letter to the applicant informing them of the project status.
- 5. Major Renovation applications must go to Housing Authority for final approval. Bi-monthly meetings.
- 6. After Housing Authority approval, a letter will be sent to the applicant informing them of the project status.
- 7. Once projects are done, final pictures and invoices must be submitted.

#### **PROJECT SELECTION**

Projects are taken on a case by case basis and are determined if they meet the Strong Neighborhoods Program mission of increasing the quality of homes and increasing home ownership stability. When approving a project, the following may be taken into consideration:

- 1. Age of the Home
- 2. Quality of the Project
- 3. Impact of the Project on the Home/Neighborhood
- 4. Value of the Home/Neighborhood
- 5. Repairs Needed
- 6. End Value of the Home
- 7. Project Making Home More Livable



For more information and applications, scan the QR code or go to our website: https://www.menashawi.gov/ departments/community\_development/ strong\_neighborhoods\_menasha\_housing \_initiative.php

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## **PROGRAM GUIDE**



#### **MAJOR RENOVATION**

Major Renovation provides forgivable loans for large **COMPREHENSIVE** updates and home renovations. The loan has no interest and no payments. After 5 years of living in the home, the loan is forgiven.

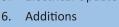
- Max Loan Amount: \$10,000 • (\$20,000 for houses that convert a multi-family unit back to single-family unit)
- Project Minimum Value: \$15,000
- **Project Matching Requirements:** . (matches are only up to max loan amount)
  - Exterior Projects: City matches \$1 for every \$1 applicant spends on project
  - Interior Projects: City will match \$1 for every \$2 applicant spends on project
  - Conversions: City matches \$2 for every \$1 applicant spends on project
- Loan shall be last dollars used on the project and will • be disbursed directly to contractor.
- Property must be owner occupied within 1 year of project completion.

#### **ELIGIBLE PROJECTS**



- Kitchen Remodel 1.
- 2. Bathroom Remodel
- 3. Plumbing Update
- Renovation 5. Electrical Update

4. Full Exterior





- Funds *cannot* be used for projects that have already started or have been completed prior to an acceptance letter.
- Applicants must meet the Menasha Affordable Assessed Value (MAAV) otherwise additional information will be required.
  - Winnebago County Below \$203,000
  - Calumet County Below \$255,000
- Building permits must be taken out for all projects, • applicants must follow through with all inspections.
- All projects must use professional labor. .
- Homes can only receive housing funds once every five years.



### **CURB APPEAL**

Curb Appeal provides reimbursable grants for exterior repairs and home maintenance.

- Max Grant Amount: \$5,000 (only 10% can go towards landscape projects)
- Project Minimum Value: \$2,000
- **Project Matching Requirements:** (matches are only up to max loan amount)
  - Owner Occupied: City matches \$1 for every \$1 applicant spends on project
  - Non-Owner Occupied: City matches \$1 for every \$2 applicant spends on project
- Owner Occpied and Non-owner Occupied are elgible
- Funds are reimbursed to contractor upon completion of the project.

#### **ELIGIBLE PROJECTS**



- 1. Window Repair/ Replace
- 2. Garage Repair
- 3. Siding Repair/ Replace
- Roof Repair/Replace 4.
- Door Repair/Replace 5.
- 6. Paving Gravel Driveway
- 7. Deck/Patio Repair/ Replace
- 8. Front Yard Landscaping (10% of total project costs)