

THE BUCKS COUNTY OWNER OCCUPIED HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

It is the intent of the County of Bucks, acting under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, to provide assistance to homeowners in the repair and rehabilitation of their homes with the following provisions:

I. ELIGIBILITY

- A. An applicant must be a resident of a municipality that is a current participant in the Bucks County Community Development Block Grant Program.
- B. The applicant must have owned and occupied the dwelling for a period of at least one year.
- C. The applicant shall have an annual household income that does not exceed the following:

<u>Household Size</u>	<u>Annual Household Income</u>
1 Person	\$ 43,900
2 People	\$ 50,150
3 People	\$ 56,400
4 People	\$ 62,650
5 People	\$ 67,700
6 or more People	\$ 72,700

- D. Income is defined as the combined gross annual income of all the occupants of the dwelling unit. Potential recipients shall be required to prove annual income. Income shall be verified by income tax returns, paycheck stubs or other means. Periods of temporary unemployment shall be excluded from the determination of the normal annual income.
- E. Families with disposable assets in excess of \$10,000 and elderly or handicapped persons with disposable assets in excess of \$20,000 shall not be eligible for assistance. Assets such as stocks, bonds, cash and real estate shall be considered. The value of the primary residence and up to one automobile per driver shall be excluded from this provision.

****NOTE:** If your home was built before 1978, FEDERAL LAW requires that LEAD SAFE HOUSING PRACTICES be followed. This new regulation requires that the homeowner and all other occupants of the dwelling relocate during the actual rehabilitation and repair to your home. To participate in the Bucks County Owner Occupied Rehabilitation Program, the HOMEOWNER must agree to relocate all occupants of the home during the time the lead paint is being treated in accordance with this Federal Regulation. This relocation shall be at the expense of the HOMEOWNER and at NO EXPENSE TO THE COUNTY OF BUCKS, THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF BUCKS, THE COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT OFFICE OF THE COUNTY OF BUCKS OR ANY OTHER FEDERAL OR LOCAL GOVERNING BODIES.