

The Fair Housing Law

The Fair Housing Law provides protection against discrimination in housing based on race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, gender, or familial status, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or the perception thereof. In addition the law provides protection against discrimination based on the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability and the use of a trained guide dog or service animal by a disabled person. If you feel you have been discriminated against or if you have any questions about the Fair Housing Law, you can call any of the following telephone numbers:

**Department of Housing &
Urban Development (HUD):**

(800) 877-0246

State Human Rights Commission:

(360) 753-6770

**City of Olympia Community Planning
and Development:**

(360) 753-8314

**Multi-lingual Translation Telephone
(Cambodian, Vietnamese and Spanish):**

(800) 233-FAIR

HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

You Can Afford to Improve Your Home



**Community Planning and Development
Housing Rehabilitation Program**

**P.O. Box 1967
Olympia, WA 98507-1967**

(360) 753-8314



OWNER OCCUPANT HOUSING REHABILITATION LOAN PROGRAM

What Is It?

The City of Olympia Housing Program helps low- and moderate-income homeowners make priority repairs. The loans are provided to repair fire, life and safety hazards in the homes and to conserve and improve older residential neighborhoods.

Who Is Eligible?

- City of Olympia residents
- Households with incomes at or below 80% of median incomes as established by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. For current levels, please contact the City of Olympia Housing Program.
- Households with liquid assets (other than home equity) of less than \$20,000 in addition to their home

How Does the Loan and Rehab Process Work?

- Application is submitted.
- Staff determines eligibility.
- Household is placed on the waiting list
- Staff provides housing inspection and review.
- A work list is compiled and reviewed with the homeowner.
- Owner solicits contractors for bids.
- Staff reviews bids with owner.
- Contractor is selected.
- Contract and loan papers are signed.
- Rehabilitation work proceeds.
- Final inspection is conducted.

Types of Eligible Work

- Foundation
- Plumbing
- Electrical
- Weatherization
- Exterior Painting
- Fire—Life—Safety
- Other Code Deficiencies
- Insulation
- Heating Systems
- Roof & Gutters
- Flooring
- Interior Painting
- Lead Paint Treatment

Loan Information

- Zero percent (0%) interest rate.
- No monthly payments for lowest income applicants.
- Repayment can be deferred until residence ownership changes or property is no longer the primary residence.
- Maximum loan amount is \$5,000 and is dependent on home equity and other federal regulatory issues.

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Hearing impaired?

The Community Planning and Development Department is a part of the Washington State TDD Relay Service A(WSTRS).

To access this service, dial 1-800-833-6388 and ask the operator to dial the Community Planning and Development Department at (360) 753-8314.

