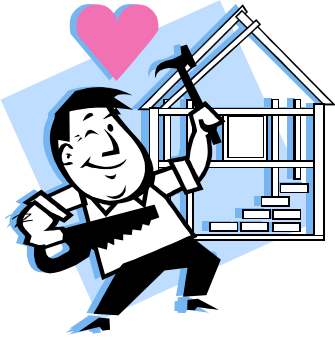


ATTENTION RESIDENTS

Cheektowaga, Sloan, Cheektowaga/Depew



The Town of Cheektowaga has received grant funds from the U. S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD). In accordance with a plan reviewed with the public, and forwarded to HUD, the Town will use these funds to assist residents with the following programs. All programs are available on a first-come-first-served basis.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

Domestic Violence Program

The Haven House Advocate can help victims of domestic violence with the police, courts, orders of protection, and resources to enhance safety, including shelter. Contact the advocate at (716) 686-7495 or through the 24 hr. Haven House Hotline at (716) 884-6000.

Senior Citizen Service Outreach

Seniors (ages 60+), call for information about weatherization, home repair, health insurance information, housing assistance, benefits/entitlements, linkages and referrals to all appropriate programs and services. Outreach service coordinators are here to help you. Please contact the Town of Cheektowaga Department of Senior Services at (716) 686-3930, and ask to speak with Jamie or Pat.

Summer Day Camp for Children

Funding for children from low-to-moderate income families is available through the Community Development Office to pay for part or all of day-camp fees at Cheektowaga's Summer Day Camp Program. Applications for the summer day camp program and funding can be obtained by calling the Cheektowaga Youth and Recreation Day Camp Office at (716) 897-7207, ext. 6670.

Housing Counseling Services

A comprehensive list of counseling and referral services are available to qualified individuals. Counseling and education programs include: individual pre-purchase and group home buyer workshops, individual and group financial management including budget and credit education, foreclosure prevention, reverse mortgages, home maintenance and green and healthy homes. Assistance is provided free of charge through Belmont Housing Resources for WNY, a local HUD Housing Counseling Agency. Contact Belmont Housing Resources for WNY at (716) 884-7791.

ALSO AVAILABLE TO TOWN & VILLAGE RESIDENTS

Financial Credit Counseling

Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Buffalo, Inc. is a local nonprofit Agency established in 1965. They offer a wide array of services that provide solutions to the complex financial side of our lives. Counseling sessions focus on proper budgeting techniques, debt repayment options, student loan assistance, small business advice, credit report education and credit score explanations. Please contact Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Buffalo at (716) 712-2060 for more information.

NYSERDA's EmPower New York Program

Free energy efficiency improvements are available for homeowners and renters. You may be eligible for some upgrades such as:

- Replacement of inefficient refrigerators and freezers
- New energy-efficient lighting
- Insulation to make your home or apartment warmer in the winter and cooler in the summer
- Air sealing to reduce drafts

It's easy to get started. Call 1-800-263-0960 to learn more and apply. Or visit nyserdera.ny.gov/empower and fill out an application.

Rodent Control Program

First, eliminate a rat's food source and shelter, eliminate garbage, wood piles, etc. Baiting to rid rats should be done by a licensed professional. The Erie County Department of Health has a baiting program. **Do not try to bait yourself!** To report complaints or request rodent baiting service, call the Erie County Department of Health Rabies, Disease & Vector Control Program at (716) 961-6800.

HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAMS

Low-interest loan funds are available through the Town of Cheektowaga's Community Development Office to make needed repairs to your property. You are eligible to apply for a loan if you are a homeowner-occupant, your property taxes are paid, your mortgage is up-to-date, you have sufficient equity in the property to support the loan and your gross annual household income does not exceed the established HUD annual income limits. Please consult the Town's web site: www.tocny.org/Departments/CommunityDevelopment for the current income eligibility guidelines.

Emergency Rehabilitation Loan Program

Provides for the repair or replacement of certain elements of a housing unit in emergency situations that impair the health and safety of the resident(s). The purpose of the loan is restricted to the cited emergency condition and the whole house must otherwise be in a habitable condition, defined as free from health and safety dangers. Emergency work can include rehabilitation of major systems within the home such as heating and electrical systems.

Handicapped Accessibility Loan Program

Provides for the installation of ramps for wheelchair access, to homes of low-income persons with certifiable disabilities to make the home more accessible.

Moderate Rehabilitation Loan Program

Addresses multiple deficiencies and code violations cited in the homes of qualified residents such as broken windows, missing gutters and downspouts, storm water discharge into sanitary sewers, as well as others. It may also include special purpose activities such as weatherization and energy efficiency procedures aimed at improving the energy efficiency of homes through additional insulation, new windows and doors and other similar replacements.

Mobile Home Moderate Rehabilitation Loan Program

Provides a loan of up to \$7,500 to assist owners of mobile homes with rehabilitation costs. The mobile home must be permanently affixed to a foundation and the owner must be income-eligible to qualify.

Economic Development

The Cheektowaga Economic Development Corporation can provide affordable funding to eligible companies involved in manufacturing, warehousing and wholesale distribution that are moving into or expanding within the Town. Funding for Microenterprise projects and certain retail or service trades may also be considered. Projects must create new job jobs, including employment opportunities for low-to-moderate income persons. For more information, visit the Corporation's website at www.cheektowagadevelopment.com.

Supportive Services—Weatherization

Supportive Services Corporation provides free weatherization assistance to income-eligible Erie County residents outside the City of Buffalo. Work that may be completed includes:

- Attic and wall insulation
- Caulking of windows and doors
- Weatherstrip windows and doors
- Clean and tune furnaces

For application information or questions call (716) 685-6252 or email: supportiveservices@roadrunner.com.



Equal Housing
Opportunity

No person shall be denied benefits on the grounds of race, color, national origin, religion or sex.

