

# GREATER ATTLEBORO / TAUNTON HOME CONSORTIUM

The Greater Attleboro/Taunton HOME Consortium consists of thirteen member communities, including Attleboro, Berkley, Easton, Dighton, Lakeville, Mansfield, Middleboro, North Attleboro, Norton, Plainville, Raynham, Seekonk and Taunton.

The formation of the Consortium has resulted in securing federal HOME funds for the region. The funds are used to support the creation of affordable housing, homeowner repairs and first time home buyer programs.

The City of Taunton, Office of Economic and Community Development (OECD) is proud to serve as the lead agency for the Consortium.

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## CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

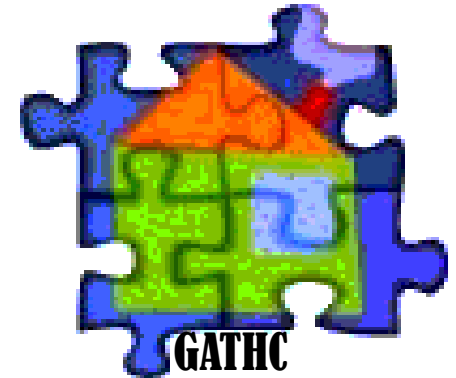
The Greater Attleboro/Taunton HOME Consortium actively seeks the input from residents of its membership communities. Please feel free to contact the OECD or your local HOME Consortium representative with any ideas or comments with regards to these programs.



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*Communities Putting Together The Community Housing Puzzle*

Serving the communities of  
**Attleboro, Berkley, Dighton, Easton,**  
**Lakeville, Mansfield, Middleboro,**  
**North Attleboro, Norton, Plainville,**  
**Raynham, Seekonk, and Taunton**

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## HOMEOWNERSHIP

The GATHC assists first time homebuyers through the provision of Down Payment Assistance and Soft Second Loan Programs. Residents of the participating communities can apply for assistance under both programs.

### What is a first time homebuyer?

A first-time homebuyer is an individual and his/her spouse who have not owned a home during a three year period prior to the purchase of a home with Consortium funds. This would include displaced homemakers and single parents.

### What is an eligible property?

An eligible property is a one-to-four family residence, condominium unit, cooperative unit, combination manufactured housing and lot or a pre-constructed, manufactured home.



### Is there a minimum or maximum amount of assistance per unit?

Yes: The minimum amount of assistance per unit is \$1,000. The maximum amount of assistance provided to any low-income family cannot exceed the greater of six percent of the purchase price of a single family housing unit or \$10,000. All funds are subject to the maximum per unit subsidy limit established for the area by HUD.

## HOUSING RENOVATION PROGRAM



The GATHC has allocated funding to assist income eligible residences with renovations. The GATHC can assist in providing Rehabilitation Specialist services to determine the repairs, upgrades, and necessary renovations, develop work scopes, contracts, and bidding support, and provide construction oversight.

Eligible Single family owner occupied residences can receive a 0%, no monthly payment deferred loan. The loan will include the total cost of rehab and lead paint amounts, as well as any fees incurred.

Eligible Multi-family owner occupied residences will be offered a 0% amortized loan for a term not to exceed 20 years.

Rent restrictions will apply to all multi-unit properties. Tenants of any rental units assisted must meet the income guidelines established by HUD.

Projects considered for funding include:

- Lead Paint & Asbestos Abatement
- Health and Safety Issues
- Major Code Violations
- Energy Upgrades (heating, insulation, etc.)
- Roofing / Siding
- Door / Window Replacement
- ADA Improvements
- General Renovations

## AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM

The GATHC seeks to address the regions affordable housing needs by working with both non-profit and for-profit entities in the acquisition, renovation, and development of new housing units serving the low and moderate income sectors.

Citizen Housing Development Organizations (CHDO) that have been certified by the GATHC and OECD may also access funds from this program for the development of affordable housing for low and moderate income families.



For more information on these programs please contact:

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