# Home Improvement and Repair Programs (City and Private Sources)

Here is a list of organizations that provide various forms of financial assistance for the purpose of home improvement, repair, and energy efficiency enhancements.

# • The City of Hartford – Division of Housing

**Program: The Housing Preservation Loan Fund** 

**Description**: Provides low interest loans to homeowners for improvements and repairs.

Contacts: Celina Caez, Project Manager / Beayanka Pinckney Naraine, Senior Administrative Assistant

Email: caezc001@hartford.gov / pincb001@hartford.gov

Allowable Improvements: Roof, gutters, chimney, furnace, hot water heater, sidewalk, driveway, siding,

windows, doors, exterior painting, front/rear porches, etc.

### • The City of Hartford – Health and Human Services Department

**Program: Lead Hazard Remediation Program** 

**Description**: Provides grant funds to homeowners interested in managing lead paint hazards to make homes

lead-safe.

Contact: Arlene Robertson, Project Manager

Phone: 860-757-4768 / 860-757-4721

Email: robea002@hartford.gov

Allowable Improvements: Windows, front/rear porches, interior/exterior painting, doors, trim, siding (any

painted and leaded surfaces).

## Connecticut Children's Healthy Homes Program

**Program: Connecticut Children's Healthy Homes Program** 

Description: The CCHHP Project will provide education for families and property owners, assess homes for lead

paint hazards, and provide funding to make homes lead-safe.

Contact: Taysha Thompson, Referral Specialist

Phone: 860-837-6241

Email: tthompson@connecticutchildrens.org

Allowable Improvements: Windows, interior/exterior painting, front/rear porches, doors, trim, siding (any

painted and leaded surfaces).

#### Capital For Change (C4C)

**Programs: Connecticut Housing Investment Fund, Inc** 

Description: Financing to assist individuals, organizations, and developers purchase, rehabilitate, or

construct homes for low and moderate income families.

**Contact:** Customer Service

**Phone:** 1-800-992-3665 / 860-233-5165

Email: info@capitalforchange.org

Allowable Improvements: Home improvements and repairs, energy efficiency upgrades, moderate to

extensive rehabilitation, and new construction activities are permitted.

# Community Renewal Team (CRT)

**Program: Weatherization** 

**Description**: Helps low-income customers (renters or owners) with conservation services that safely lower electrical use, reduces home heat loss in winter and heat gain in summer, conserve hot water, and provide for energy efficient lighting.

Contact: Weatherization Phone: 860-560-5354

Website: http://www.crtct.org/en/need-help/energy-a-weatherization/home-weatherization

Allowable Improvements: Weather-stripping, caulking, insulation, energy efficient lighting, window repair or

replacements, etc.

### Rebuilding Together Hartford, Inc.

**Program: Emergency Repair Fund** 

**Description**: Providing grant funds to elderly and disabled residents for various home repairs.

**Contact**: Michelle Webber, Director of Outreach

**Phone**: 860-757-9426

Email: mwebber@rthartford.org

Allowable Improvements: Leaky pipes, smoke detectors, handyman repairs, boilers, hot water heaters,

railings, wheelchair ramps, gutters, doors, lighting, bathroom fixtures, etc.

### The Hartford Area Habitat for Humanity

**Program: A Brush with Kindness** 

**Description:** A Brush with Kindness (ABWK) is a program that assists low-income families in repairing and renovating their homes so they can continue to live in safe, decent homes. We focus on assisting elderly, veteran families and those with limited mobility.

Contact: Tracy Thomas, Director of Family Services

**Phone:** 860-541-2208

Email: Tracy@hartfordhabitat.org

Allowable Improvements: A Brush with Kindness projects include painting, landscaping, weatherization and

minor repair services.

#### • The Hartford Community Loan Fund

**Program: Construction Rehab Loan Program** 

**Description**: Provides loans starting at \$50,000 for the purchase and/or rehabilitation of residential properties

within Connecticut. Mixed use properties are also eligible.

Contact: Calvin Richardson
Phone: 860-296-7005 EXT: 3004

Email: C.Richardson@HartfordLoans.org

Website: https://www.hartfordloans.org/what-we-do/construction-rehab-loan-program

#### Connecticut Green Bank

**Description:** Connecticut Green Bank offers green energy solutions to home, building and multifamily property owners, residential and commercial contractors, towns and cities, and even capital providers. Learn more about our programs and select the one that's right for you.

**Contact:** Staff

Phone: 860-563-0015

Website: www.ctgreenbank.com

#### Connecticut Efficient Healthy Homes Initiative

**Program: Connecticut Energy Efficiency Fund** 

**Description**: Provides energy, health and safety upgrades for homeowners and renters.

Contact: Staff

Phone: 1-877-947-3873

Email/Website: www.CTEnergyInfo.com/Healthyhomes

Allowable Improvements: Weather-stripping, caulking, insulation, energy efficient lighting, smoke and carbon

monoxide detectors, bathroom and kitchen fixtures and ventilation.

#### Historic Tax Credits, State Historic Preservation Office

**Description**: Provides a thirty percent tax credit, up to \$30,000 per dwelling unit, for the rehabilitation of 1-4 family buildings. After completion of rehabilitation work, one unit must be owner-occupied for a period of five years. Requires a minimum of \$25,000 in qualified rehabilitation expenditures to qualify. Building must be listed on the National or State. Register of Historic Places. The owner must submit applications to the CCT for approval prior to the start of rehabilitation work.

Contact: Mary Dunne Phone: 860-256-2756

Email/Website: Mary.Dunne@ct.gov / www.cultureandtourism.org

## State Historic Structures Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program

**Description**: A tax credit for the conversion of historic commercial, industrial, institutional, former government buildings, cultural building, or residential property of more than four (4) units to residential use, including rental or condominium units. Partial tax credits are available for buildings converted to mixed residential and nonresidential uses. Accepts Rolling Applications.

**Program Specifics:** 

- 25% tax credit of the total qualified rehabilitation expenditures.
- Qualified rehabilitation expenditures are hard costs associated with rehabilitation of the certified historic structure; site improvements and non-construction costs are excluded.
- State tax credits may be combined with the 20% federal historic preservation tax credits provided the project qualifies under federal law as a substantial rehabilitation of depreciable property as defined by the Internal Revenue Service.

Contact: Julie Carmelich Phone: 860-256-2762

Email/Website: Julie.Carmelich@ct.gov / www.ct.gov/cct/cwp/view.asp?a=3933&q=331966

## • CT Trust for Historic Preservation

Description: Pre-development grants, rehabilitation grants and technical advice, depending on funding

availability.

**Contact**: Brad Schide **Phone**: 860-463-0193

Email: circuitrider@cttrust.org

This document consists of programs throughout the State. Most of these programs are run by an entity not affiliated with the City of Hartford and their appearance on this list does not constitute an endorsement by the City of their program.

This is not an exhaustive list of funding sources. As the City is made aware of other residential funding opportunities, they will be listed here.