## TOWN OF CENTURY TO TAKE HOUSING REHABILITATION APPLICATIONS

The Town of Century, Florida will begin taking applications for housing rehabilitation assistance from **qualified persons** who presently reside within the corporate limits and who are interested in being considered for Housing Rehabilitation Grant assistance under the Town's FY 09 Community Development Block Grant program. The program is designed to rehabilitate or replace approximately nine (9) housing units that are presently being occupied by persons classified as being of low and/or moderate incomes.

In order to be <u>eligible</u> for rehabilitation grant assistance, applicants <u>must reside</u> within the corporate limits of the Town of Century <u>and</u> must have a household income at or below the following household size specific income criteria:

<u>1 Person</u>	<u>2 Person</u>	<u>3 Person</u>	<u> 4 Person</u>
32,200	36,800	41,400	46,000
<u>5 Person</u>	<u>6 Person</u>	7 Person	<u>8+ Person</u>
49,700	53,400	57,050	60,750

Please be advised that the Town of Century, Florida will give <u>preference to "very low"</u> <u>income households</u> relative to the approval of CDBG rehabilitation grant assistance. Very low income classification by household size is as follows:

<u>1 Person</u>	2 Person	<u>3 Person</u>	<u> 4 Person</u>
12,100	13,800	15,550	17,250
<u>5 Person</u>	<u>6 Person</u>	<u>7 Person</u>	<u>8+ Person</u>
18,650	20,050	21,400	22,800

Applicants whose total "gross" household income exceeds the LMI Income Limits for their size household will not be considered for rehabilitation grant assistance. Likewise, persons residing outside the corporate limits of the Town of Century will not be eligible for rehabilitation grant consideration.

Although owner occupied <u>and</u> renter occupied households will qualify for rehabilitation grant assistance; provided the occupants of the household meet the above income eligibility threshold, the Town reserves the right to prioritize owner occupied units and may choose to address rental units only after all eligibile owner occupants have received rehabilitation grant assistance. Again, very low income households will be given funding priority over low income applicants; i.e., a 1 persons household with an income of less than \$ 12,100 will be given preference over a 1 person household with an income greater than \$12,101 but less than \$ 32,200

For owner-occupied units, the Town's rehabilitation program will be a <u>100%</u> CDBG rehabilitation or replacement grant program and qualified applicants will not be required to inject any matching funds toward the rehabilitation of their house. For renter-occupied units, a cost share approach will be utilized; i.e., 70% of the rehabilitation cost will be financed with CDBG funds and the remaining 30% will be injected by the owner of the rental unit.

Persons interested in being <u>considered</u> for inclusion in this program are urged to go by the Century Town Hall between the hours of 8:30 AM and 3:30 PM and place their name on the Town's list of interested applicants and fill out a preliminary application form. The deadline to be placed on the interested applicant list and fill out a preliminary application is Friday, April 28, 2011. If you have any questions, please call the Town of Century at 850-256-3208 and ask for Mrs. Debbie Nickles.

This is not a first-come, first-served program as the Town has a unit commitment to the Florida Department of Community Affairs that may necessitate a rating of the applications to determine funding priority; therefore, interested persons wishing to be considered for inclusion in this program should realize that only a limited number of participants with the greatest need will be approved for participation and that very low income households will be given preference. It is important to note that being placed on the list and/or filling out an application does not mean that you will be approved for rehabilitation grant assistance, although the Town will make a concerted effort to rehabilitate as many units as possible.