

City of Oelwein, Iowa

Community Development and Housing Needs Assessment

Community Development and Housing Needs of Low and Moderate Income Persons

- Decrease the number of substandard housing units in the City.
- Minimize hardship by assisting in the rehabilitation of homes.
- Eliminate and prevent the deterioration of the housing stock.
- Provide yearly financial support for the Northeast Iowa Local Housing Trust fund which is for rehabilitation for low to moderate income applicants.
- Participate in the Rent to Own Home with NEICAC.
- New construction incentives along with a tax abatement program
- Continue to apply for First Time Homebuyer funds

Other Community Development and Housing Needs

- Provide additional affordable housing opportunities.
- Provide additional job creation through the City of Oelwein's IRP program

Planned or Potential Activities to Address Housing and Community Needs

- Apply for assistance under the Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program through the Iowa Economic Development Authority.
- Work on local programs that offer incentives for developers and local contractors on building houses and improving existing housing stock
- Create a housing task force that is accountable and sets goals
- Implement plans from the Oelwein Housing Study
- Work on reenergizing the Fayette County Habitat for Humanity Program
 - Consider being a part of a potential NE Iowa Habitat for Humanity
- Find housing that works for employees of Oelwein's largest employers
- Discuss the best areas for expansion and determine when and if funding is available
- Apply for assistance under the Water/Sewer Program through the Iowa Economic Development Authority

Approved at the _____ City Council Meeting of the City of Oelwein, Iowa.

Number of local residents participating: _____