CITY OF BUFFALO
URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY

2026 PROGRAM RESOURCE GUIDE

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EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY

What Kind of Assistance Do You Need?

Funding is available to help address health & safety hazards to keep residents stably housed.

BUYING A HOME

Funding to help purchase a home

Down Payment/Closing Cost Assistance Program (DPCC)

Funding **up to $15,000** is available to first-time homebuyers to assist in meeting closing costs and down payment expenses attributable to the purchase of a single-family home. Loan funds are provided at no interest as a conditional grant. No monthly or annual payments are required, but the amount provided must be repaid if the property is sold within the five-year regulatory period.

HOME REPAIR PROGRAM

Rehabilitation and repair to a home you own and currently live in

Housing Repair Program

Funds repairs of a verified emergency condition such as an **inoperable furnace**, **faulty electrical service**, **broken hot water tank**, **or break in the main water or sewer line**. Loan funds are provided at no interest, and partial conditional grants are available for all eligible applicants. The amount to be repaid will be based on household income.

50/50 Program

City of Buffalo's 50/50 Rehab Program offers income-eligible homeowners **up to $25,000 in grants** to fund 50% of their project cost in order to make needed home repairs.

Target Focus Area Program

Funds for code-related repairs and lead-based paint hazard reduction are available to owner-occupant households who reside on Target streets. Loan funds are provided at no interest, and partial conditional grants are available for all eligible applicants. The amount to be repaid will be based on household income.

RENTAL PROPERTY ASSISTANCE

Rental repairs for rental property owners

Vacant Rental Program (VRP)

This program is designed to help rental property owners transform vacant, uninhabitable units into safe, high-quality, and affordable long-term rental homes within the City of Buffalo.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Enhancing commercial corridors to promote equitable revitalization and support the local economy

Small Business Grant Program

Designed to strengthen commercial activity along key corridors, support business retention and expansion, and foster inclusive economic growth across the city. Commercial corridors are key drivers of neighborhood level economic activity linking residents to jobs, goods, and services.

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Contacts for BURA-Funded Programs

Heart of the City Neighborhoods
(716) 882-7661
www.hocn.org
135 Delaware Ave #503
Buffalo, NY 14201

Old First Ward Community Assoc.
(716) 856-8613
www.old1stward.com
62 Republic St.
Buffalo, NY 14204

NeighborWorks Community Partners Buffalo
(716) 885-2344
www.ncpny.org/

University District Community Development Assoc.
(716) 832-1010
www.udcda.org
3242 Main St.
Buffalo, NY 14214

Ready to get started?

Use the online Community-Based Organization Lookup Tool to find which organization services your neighborhood.

Visit:

www.bit.ly/CBOLT

or

Scan the QR code:

Visit *www.buffalourbanrenewal.com* for more information.

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