



CITY OF BUFFALO URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY

2026 HOUSING RESOURCE GUIDE

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What Kind of Housing 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

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.

EMERGENCY & URGENT

When something needs repair and/or becomes unsafe:

Emergency Loan Assistance 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.

Roof Program

Funds are available for **repair of a severely deteriorated roof** where water infiltration into the habitable area has been verified.

HOME REHAB & REPAIR

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

Owner Occupied Home Repair Program

Funding from the City of Buffalo, NYS Housing and Community Renewal, and Affordable Housing Corporation providing low-income homeowners with funding to help with **home repairs** and make **more energy efficient homes**.

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.



Contacts for BURA-Funded Programs

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www.bit.ly/CBOLT

Call 311 or use the online Community-Based Organization Lookup Tool to find which organization services your neighborhood:



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Buffalo, NY 14202



Heart of the City Neighborhoods

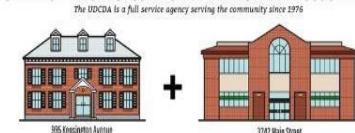
(716) 882-7661
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