

The United States Department of Agriculture and Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council will be hosting a community outreach meeting to provide information on home repair grant and loans available to senior citizens and low-income homeowners through the USDA Section 504 Home Repair Program.

USDA Public Outreach Meetings:

Housing Repair Grants and Loans

Wednesday, May 31st

6:00 PM to 7:30 PM Careersource Center 750 South 5th Street Immokalee, FL 34142

Thursday, June 1st

6:00 PM to 7:30 PM John Boy Senior Citizen Community Center 1200 S. WC Owens Avenue Clewiston, FL 33440

Tuesday, June 6

6:00 PM to 7:30 PM Dallas B. Townsend Agricultural Center 1085 Pratt Boulevard LaBelle, FL 33935

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What does this program do?

This program provides loans to very-low-income homeowners to repair, improve, or modernize their homes or provides grants to elderly very-low-income homeowners to remove health and safety hazards.

Who may apply for this program?

To qualify, you must:

- Be the homeowner and occupy the house
- Be unable to obtain affordable credit elsewhere
- Have a family income below 50 percent of the area median income
- For grants, be age 62 or older and not be able to repay a repair loan

How may funds be used?

- Loans may be used to repair, improve, or modernize homes or to remove health and safety hazards.
- Grants must be used to remove health and safety hazards.

How much money can I get?

- Maximum loan is \$20,000.
- Maximum grant is \$7,500.
- Loans and grants can be combined for up to \$27,500 in assistance.

What are the terms of the loan or grant?

- Loans can be repaid over 20 years
- Loan interest rate is fixed at 1%.

A USDA representative will provide an overview of the 504 Home Repair Program, answer questions, and provide information on the application process.



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