

ATTENTION HOMEBUYERS!

The City of Boone is announcing the next phase of the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP). The City of Boone previously received stimulus funds from the Iowa Department of Economic Development. The purpose of the funds is to purchase foreclosed properties, rehabilitate and resale the homes or to purchase and demolish vacant dilapidated buildings.

The homes will be for sale when the rehabilitation on the homes has been completed. Those homes will be for sale only to buyers whose income meets the requirements of the NSP program. There are two different categories of income levels for this program. The first category will be an eligible homebuyer whose income has been verified at less than 120% of median income. The second category will be an eligible homebuyer whose income is verified at less than 50% of median income. (see table below)

%	1	2	3	4	5	6
50%	23,300	26,600	29,950	33,250	35,950	38,600
120%	55,920	63,840	71,880	79,800	86,280	92,640

The program provides a grant for mortgage buy down (down payment assistance) to reduce the mortgage payments to be equal to 28% of the income of the homebuyer. The grant will be secured by a forgivable lien placed on the home. The length of the term will depend on the amount of the grant.

The successful applicant must also be able to secure conventional financing with a fixed interest rate at no less than 30 years.

Interested homebuyers should first talk to their banker to see if they qualify for a conventional mortgage. You must also call Region XII Council of Governments at 712-792-9914 to acquire an application for the determination of income eligibility.

The local Realtors will be able to help you to view a home when it is ready to be sold. Please note that there are several homes reserved for each category. For any other information, please call the city at 515-432-4211 or Laurie Gilbert at 712-792-9914.