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New Home Rehab and Repair Assistance Matrix

Resources for improving housing conditions for low to moderate income Minnesotans

St. Paul, MN (March 8, 2011) / The Minnesota Home Ownership has created an easy-to-use resource listing home repair and rehab assistance programs throughout the state of Minnesota. Programs included in the resource include:

- emergency repair,
- energy efficiency upgrades,
- lead hazard abatement, and
- general repair.

Some funds are direct grants to homeowners and others are loans, usually with below market interest rates or forgivable terms. The resource outlines dozens of programs available throughout the state and includes information on who to contact and how to apply.

“Many low- to moderate- income Minnesotans don’t know where to turn when an unexpected repair is needed,” said Brooke Walker, Program Director for the MN Home Ownership Center. “We know that for many homeowners minor repairs and upgrades, if left unattended due to economic hardship, can snowball into greater problems down the road, and may even lead to foreclosure.”

The “Home Rehab and Repair Matrix” can be viewed and downloaded, free of charge, from the Minnesota Home Ownership Center’s website at www.hocmn.org

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Minnesota Home Ownership Center is a nonprofit organization that promotes successful and sustainable home ownership for low- and moderate-income Minnesotans through counseling and education services for first-time home buyers and those struggling with foreclosure. The Center coordinates and provides programming and technical assistance to a statewide network of nonprofit agencies providing direct services known as the Homeowner Advisors Network. For additional information, visit www.hocmn.org.