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BRPC invites applications to the Home Modification Loan Program

0% interest loans available to qualifying households

Pittsfield, MA -- Berkshire Regional Planning Commission (BRPC) is pleased to invite applications to the Home Modification Loan Program (HMLP). HMLP is a state-funded no-interest loan program to provide modifications to those in need of accessibility improvements to their homes. Eligible applicants include homeowners and landlords (with fewer than 10 units) with necessary changes needed to their homes to keep disabled or elderly family members in their own homes.

Possible modifications include bathroom and kitchen modifications, ramps, stair lifts, platform lifts, sensory/therapy spaces, hard-wired alarm systems, fences, accessory dwelling units, and more. Please note that this is not a home repair program; repairs to roofs, windows, and heating are not eligible. All work must be completed by licensed and insured contractors.

For property owners, 0% interest loans range between \$1,000 and \$50,000. No monthly payments are required, with repayment is required when the property is sold or transferred. If you own a manufactured or mobile home, 0% interest loans range from \$1,000 to \$30,000.

All applications are subject to HMLP eligibility requirements.

For more information, please visit www.cedac.org/hmlp or contact Christie Lewis at clewis@berkshireplanning.org or 413-442-1521 ext. 23.

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