## **News Release**



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## **Manufactured Home Replacement Program**

**UTICA** - The HomeOwnership Center (HOC), headquartered in Utica, NY, is accepting applications for dilapidated mobile home replacement assistance from rural Oneida County homeowners who qualify for services under a New York State grant-funded housing program. The project grant, totaling \$600,000, was awarded to Oneida County in 2014 by New York State Homes and Community Renewal. Manufactured home replacement projects funded under the grant are targeted to be completed during 2015.

Assistance to rural Oneida County manufactured/mobile homeowners from outside the Cities of Utica and Rome will be issued as grant-loan packages to cover the cost of the manufactured home replacement project. Program eligibility requirements include: the property must meet the State's definition of substandard; homeowners must meet income guidelines; all property taxes and insurances must be current; applicants must occupy the manufactured home as a primary residence; and residents must show proof of ownership for both the manufactured home unit and the property on which it is situated. Program participants will be required to complete a Financial Education workshop offered by HOC.

For a complete list of eligibility requirements, an application, or for more information, please contact the HomeOwnershipCenter at (315)724-4197, or visit <a href="https://www.theHomeOwnershipCenter.org">www.theHomeOwnershipCenter.org</a>. Completed applications are accepted and reviewed on a first come, first served basis.

Chartered in 1979 by NeighborWorks America, the HomeOwnershipCenter promotes housing and community development through programs such as Homebuyer Education and Financial Coaching, housing rehabilitation, and foreclosure prevention. The HOC provides services to residents in Oneida, Herkimer, Madison, Fulton, Otsego and Montgomery counties.

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