

### Westville Land Subsidence Remediation Program

#### What is it?

The State of Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) is providing a limited amount of funding to help correct structural damage to homes that is due to documented land subsidence, within a target area of the Westville section of New Haven. Capital for Change (C4C) is administering the program. Property owners who wish to participate will be required to sign and complete a set of documents including: an application, a property access form and an indemnification agreement to participate in the program.

While most homes experience modest settling, this program will focus on significant subsidence related structural damage such as major cracks in basement floors or walls, door and windows that do not close plumb and parts of the home, such as steps and garages that are no longer properly aligned. Because funding is limited, the program will most likely not be able to address every applicant.

#### Does my home qualify?

This program is primarily available to owner – occupants. Rental properties are not eligible. Homes must be located within the Westville target area (see map) with structural damage determined to be the result of land subsidence.

#### Funding

Funding is limited. Properties will be ranked by a structural engineer and a construction expert according to the severity of the damage. Homes that are determined to have major structural deficiencies will receive priority funding consideration. Every effort will be made to help as many homeowners as possible.

#### **Income Requirements**

None

#### Do I have to pay back the funding?

No, funding will be in the form of a grant that will pay contractors to make repairs. Funds will not be paid directly to homeowners and no lien will be placed on the property

#### Can I receive a reimbursement for structural work I have already paid for?

At this time we are <u>not</u> considering reimbursements for remediation that has already been completed on homes in the target area. However, this does not preclude assistance for additional outstanding subsidence related damage to the home if approved by the structural engineer.

#### How do I apply?

To obtain a pre-application, contact Keara Strong at (860) 233.5165 Extension 2056.

The pre-application along with at least one (1) and not more than five (5) photographs should be mailed to the Loan Fund at Westville Subsidence Program, c/o C4C 10 Alexander Drive, Wallingford, CT 06492 (Photos may be emailed, see detailed instructions on the Pre-Application)

For questions about the program contact Earl Randall at (203) 789-8690 Extension 1320.

#### **Application Deadline:**

Applications must be received or postmarked by **Month XX, XXXX**.

# Map of Eligible Area

## The target area is shaded

