

Press Release

MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL CONCRETE FOUNDATION TESTING PROGRAM

The Town of Coventry has been awarded funding for the purpose of providing core testing on concrete foundations throughout the **Towns of Coventry, Ashford, Tolland, Willington, Columbia, Bolton and Union**. The Concrete Foundation Testing Program is funded by a Community Development Block Grant from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and administered through the CT Department of Housing.

Each eligible household will be offered a grant not to exceed \$5,000 for up to four core samples. The Program will be responsible for hiring the contractor and will coordinate the testing between the homeowner and contractor. Once the testing is complete the Program will pay the contractor directly.

In order to be eligible, the property to be tested must be in one of the seven towns listed above, built on or after 1983, and evidence of homeowner's insurance must be provided.

In addition, at least 51% of the households addressed must meet the income guidelines of 80% or below median income. Therefore, 49% of the households addressed can exceed 80% median income after the 51% is met. For your reference, the current income guidelines state that 80% of median income is as follows:

2018 INCOME GUIDELINES:

<u>Number in Family</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>
Gross Annual Income	50350	57550	64750	71900	77700	83450	89200	94950

The Program will address households that are at or below median income first. Households that are above will be addressed as we meet or exceed the 51% threshold. In order to determine your household's income an application must be completed and submitted to the Program along with certain income documentation.

Once a household is deemed eligible, the Program will notify the homeowner as to what their next step is.

The Program will not reimburse for core testing that has already been completed.

Funding will be returned to the State if it is not used and the Program will no longer be available.

If you have any questions or would like to request an application to the Program please contact Peter Huckins, Program Coordinator, at 860-456-0782 or peterhuckins@charter.net