



Colonial Heights
City Council Special Meeting
June 18, 2024
6:00 pm

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- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Declarations of Personal Interest**

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4. Closed Meeting Pursuant To The Code Of Virginia In Accordance With The Following Provisions:

- Paragraph A.7 of Section 2.2-3711, to consult with legal counsel and be briefed by staff members pertaining to both actual and probable litigation concerning the levying of penalties and interest on unpaid taxes, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body.
- Paragraph A.8 of Section 2.2-3711, to consult with legal counsel employed by a public body regarding a specific legal matter - i.e., an employee's direct or indirect supervision of a relative - requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel.

5. Vote to Com Back Into Open Meeting:

The Council has been in a closed meeting pursuant to the Code of Virginia in accordance with the following provisions:

- ▶ *Paragraph A.7 of Section 2.2-3711, to consult with legal counsel and be briefed by staff members pertaining to both actual and probable litigation concerning the levying of penalties and interest on unpaid taxes, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body.*
- ▶ *Paragraph A.8 of Section 2.2-3711, to consult with legal counsel employed by a public body regarding a specific legal matter - i.e., an employee's direct or indirect supervision of a relative - requiring the providing of legal advice by such counsel.*

5. Vote to Com Back Into Open Meeting continued:

Consideration of the following certification: Each member will now certify that to the best of the member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements of the act and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the public body. Any member who believes there was a departure from the requirements of clauses (i) and (ii) shall so state prior to the vote, indicating the substance of the departure that, in his judgment, has taken place. Roll Call. An affirmative vote shall constitute certification of compliance.

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6. A Work Session On The Following Items:

A. A RESOLUTION NO 24-27

Approving the City of Colonial Heights Housing and Community Development Annual Action Plan and Budget for 2024-2025.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT



CITY OF COLONIAL HEIGHTS, VA
HOME REPAIR PROGRAM

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CDBG FUNDING

- Federally-funded grant administered by Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
- Awarded to entitlement communities on annual basis
- Amount determined by statutory formula

Past Funding for the City of Colonial Heights

- 2020 - \$272,744*
- 2021 - \$109,405
- 2022 - \$106,471
- 2023 - \$96,493
- 2024- \$91,001

- In 2020 the City received CDBG-COVID stimulus funding

HUD Planning and Reporting

- Consolidated Plan (5-year Plan)
- **Annual Action Plan**
- Consolidated Action Plan
Evaluation Report (CAPER)
- Citizen Participation Plan
 - 2 Public Hearings
 - Annual Action Plan
 - CAPER



2005-2023

- Since 2005, the City has received **\$1,879,074** in CDBG funding and has provided home repair grants to **180** low to moderate-income owner-occupied households citywide.



ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

Eligible activities or repairs include but are not limited to the following:

- Unsafe electrical, heating or plumbing systems;
- Faulty roofs;
- Faulty porches and steps that present a safety risk;
- Accessibility needs; and
- Lead-based paint testing.



Ineligible activities consist of any unnecessary physical improvements, any repairs of a cosmetic nature,

- repairs to sheds,
- repairs to garages or any structure not attached to the living unit

ELIGIBLE HOUSEHOLDS

Must...

- be single-family homeowners;
- have active home insurance;
- be current on property taxes;
- be at or below 80% of the area median income; and
- not have received the grant in the last 5 years.
- Renters with a disability



HUD Income Limits (80% AMI)

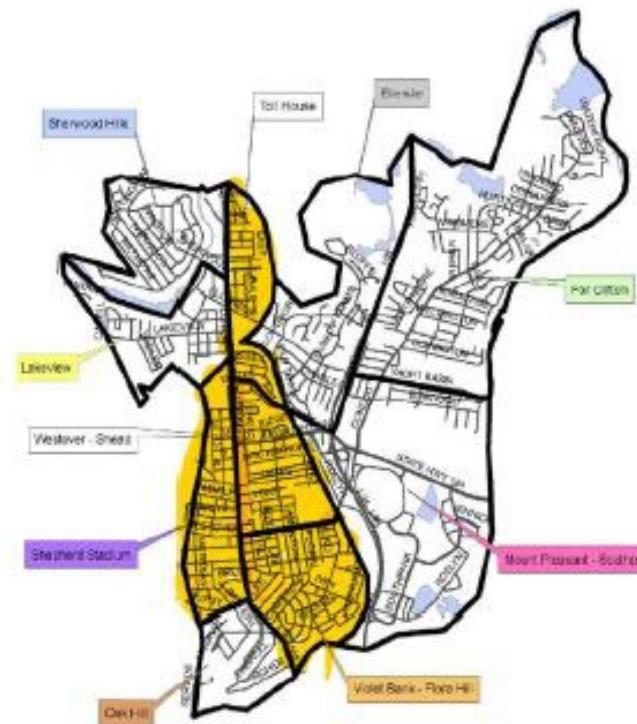
PY2024

FY 2024 Housing and Urban Development Income Limits

One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six	Seven	Eight
\$61,800	\$70,600	\$79,450	\$88,250	\$95,350	\$102,400	\$109,450	\$116,500

Program Priorities

- Homeowners in the Violet Bank-Flora Hill, Shepherd Stadium, Westover-Snead, and Toll House Districts;
- First time applicants;
- Persons who are elderly or disabled;
- Lower income and larger households; and
- Those needing repairs that threaten the safety or well-being of the household members.



Subrecipient - Project:HOMES



In 2010 the City hired Project: HOMES, a not-for-profit organization, to run the Home Repair Program.



Program Year 2024

\$91,001

- Approximately 8 households will be served.

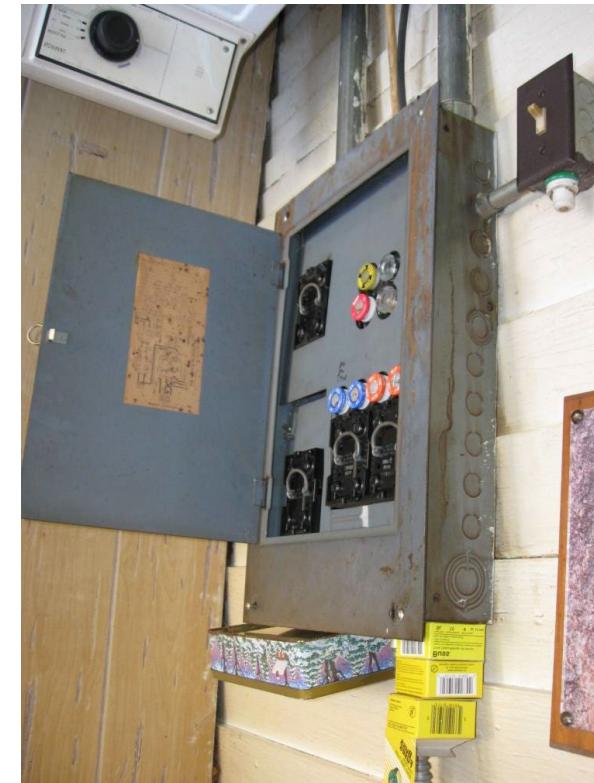


Application Process

Applications are now taken continuously throughout the year.

- Website
- Social Media
- The City Focus

Assistance is available for individuals who may need help filling out the application.



This year, we have 28 homeowners on the waiting list.

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6. A Work Session On The Following Items:

B. Community Assessment Overview

COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT OVERVIEW

What?

- **Collaborative process for assessing the City's quality of life.**
- **Collecting resident opinions on community:**
 - **Economic Stability**
 - **Education Access and Quality**
 - **Health Care Access and Quality**
 - **Neighborhood and Built Environment**
 - **Social and Community Context**
- **Product: Snapshot of community used by city staff as a resource for policy discussions.**

Uses

- **Identify and respond to gaps in service and access**
- **Address disparities among populations**
- **Help leverage funding for community projects and programs**
- **Create equitable and desirable priorities**
- **Gain input and feedback from all community members**
- **Evaluate the progress and effectiveness of ongoing initiatives.**

Why?

- **Community Engagement**
 - Resident Convenience
 - Input from groups that do not participate through traditional methods
 - Equity
 - Collaborative/Democratic Process
 - Strengthen civic responsibility and awareness
- **Evaluation**
 - Assists in establishing community priorities
 - Collects feedback on provision of services
 - Highlights experiences of different demographic groups
 - Identifies assets and problems

How?

- **Technical Advisory Group**
- **Citizen Engagement Team**
- **Survey:**
 - **Goal: Good Health and Well-Being**
 - **Indicator: Health Insurance**
 - **Measure: How many adults between the ages of 18 and 64 are currently insured?**
- **Survey Response Goal: 377 (statistically significant sample for city's population)**

When?

- **Prepare (Spring & Summer 2024)**
- **Collect (Fall 2024)**
- **Analyze & Report (Winter 2024/2025)**
- **Plan & Evaluate (ongoing)**

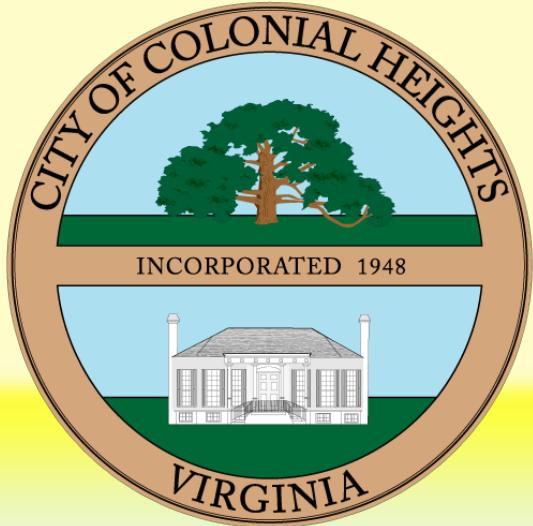
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C. Proposed Staff Reorganizations



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