

Sponsored by the Hutchinson Housing Commission and the Hutchinson Planning & Development Department.

## **Program Purpose**

The purpose of the *Brush Up Hutch! Paint Program* is to assist eligible homeowners in the City of Hutchinson with the cost of repainting the exterior of their homes and to alleviate deteriorating housing conditions within the City.

This program was established in conjunction with the adoption of the *International Property Maintenance Code* (effective on July 1, 2011). Because the code requires home exteriors to be painted, homes in the greatest need of paint will be given highest priority to receive funding.

#### **How to Apply**

Homeowners interested in the *Brush Up Hutch! Paint Program* must apply through the City of Hutchinson Planning & Development Department. Applications are available at City Hall, 125 East Avenue B, Hutchinson, Kansas or online at *hutchgov.com*. Applications are highly encouraged to be submitted between March 1 and October 31.

### Eligibility

The program is operated on a first come, first served basis with priority given to homes in most need of exterior paint. Assistance is provided based on the following eligibility requirements:

- Applicants must own and reside in the property to be painted.
- Applicants may not own more than one property.
- At least one of the following:
  - Applicant's income must be at or below 120% of the median family income for Reno County.

#### -OR-

 Applicant's home must be valued at or below \$50,000 by the Reno County Appraiser's Office.

# **Income Eligibility**

The following income guidelines illustrate the maximum yearly income based on number of people in the household and 120% of the 2016 median family income in Reno County:

One Person	\$48,150
Two People	\$55,050
Three People	\$61,950
Four People	\$68,775
Five People	\$74,325
Six People	\$79,800
Seven People	\$85,350
Eight or more	\$90,825

Total income is calculated from all regular payments (i.e., weekly, bi-weekly, semi-monthly, or monthly) resources and is based on gross pay – before taxes and expenses are deducted – over three pay periods. Income guidelines must be met if applicant's home is valued over \$50,000.

#### **Submittal Requirements**

Applicants are required to submit the following information to the City of Hutchinson Planning & Development Department for review:

✓ The application, filled out completely and accurately.

*If your home is valued over \$50,000:* 

✓ Proof of income – Provide proof of all income sources for all adult (age 18 or older) household members. Proof may include pay stubs, award letters, W-2s, Schedule Cs, etc.

## **Application Review**

Each application submitted to the City will be carefully reviewed, based on the aforementioned eligibility requirements, by Planning & Development staff members. The City of Hutchinson reserves the right to decline consideration of any and all applications if eligibility requirements are not met or if funding is not available within a calendar year. Declined applications may be kept on file and considered the following calendar year.

#### **Application Approval**

Once the application is approved, the applicant will be notified and given a certificate of approval. The City will then take a "before" picture of the house. The applicant has 90 days to paint the exterior of his/her home. An "after" picture will be taken of the completed project. Once the painting is completed, the applicant may bring in receipts for the paint and the City will reimburse the applicant up to \$300.

#### **Home Address Numbers**

To qualify for reimbursement, home address numbers that are a minimum of four inches high and clearly visible from the street must be present.

#### **Paint Supplier Discounts**

In the past, some local retailers provided discounts on paint with proof of participation in the *Brush Up Hutch! Paint Program*. However, because store policies change from year to year, the City of Hutchinson cannot ensure that these discounts are still in effect. Please contact your paint retailer for individual policies on discounts.

For more information, contact:
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