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Morrow County Health District Offers Funding for Septic Repair/Alteration

On October 30, 2015 Morrow County Health District (MCHD) was approved to receive \$300,000 in grant funds, to offset the cost of income-eligible homeowners in need of mandatory sewage treatment system updates. To date, the Home Sewage Treatment System (HSTS) program has distributed approximately one third, or \$100,000, of these funds to homeowners throughout the county.

To meet the minimum eligibility guidelines for assistance, you must A) Be a Morrow County resident; B) Show proof that your household income falls between 100% and 300% of the federal poverty guidelines (assistance will be given with this measurement); and C) You both own *and* occupy the residence (a land contract is acceptable if it has been recorded).

The HSTS program is structured so that households earning up to 100% of the federal poverty guidelines will be eligible for 100% of the cost for repairing/replacing their treatment system; households earning between 100% and 200% of the federal poverty guidelines are eligible for 85% of the cost for repairing/replacing their treatment system; and households that earn between 200% and 300% of the federal poverty guidelines are eligible for 50% of the cost for repairing/alteration their treatment system.

Program funds will continue to be available until all monies have been depleted. For consideration during this opportunity, please make an appointment with the HSTS Grant Administrator, Vicky Elliott, and plan to bring the following information to your initial meeting: Completed Application – available after initial contact; Verification of 2015 Household Income and Current Monthly Income; Proof of Home Ownership (copy of deed, verification of current standing with property taxes and mortgage, if applicable); Homeowner's Insurance (declaration page to verify general liability coverage); Septic System Evaluation (verification that septic system is failing – onsite evaluation by MCHD).

Morrow County Health District seeks to better the lives of every individual throughout the county. Through this funding opportunity, it is the hope that any resident in need will be afforded relief. To schedule your appointment, or for more information, please contact Vicky Elliott at Vicky.elliott@morrowcountyhealth.org, or 419-947-1545 ext. 328. For general information, visit www.morrowcountyhealth.org.