## Responses to the CDC Holly Working Group June 2, 2011

- <u>Update on Travis County Appraisal District (TCAD) Research on Holly properties</u>. The NHCD Client Services team pulled almost 600 TCAD property tax records to verify ownership, property value, and other program requirements. The initial assessment is already complete; however, program staff is in the process of researching public records to verify ownership and / or title transfer on some properties. Staff wants to provide the most accurate information. The database will be finalized in June 2011 in preparation for marketing potential clients for the upcoming information session (see below).
- 2. <u>A list of all Holly modifications that been made in response to community</u> input, including a brief summary of each policy change.

Modification (Community Input)	Comment	Year
Provide additional assistance to those residents who received previous services.	The original guidelines permitted one-time assistance and one service only per household. The modification gives opportunities to previously assisted clients who need to access additional eligible repairs based on program guidelines and eligible funding per household.	2009
Eligible households may earn no more than 100 percent of Area Median Family Income	Previously, eligible households could earn no more than 80 percent of Area Median Family. This modification allows families to earn more income based on MFI limits set forth by HUD.	2009
Establish applicant or immediate family member owned the home by 2000.	Reserve the assistance to existing community members when the AE plant was in operation.	2009

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Extend the west program	Program incorporated	2009
boundaries to Chicon Street	one additional block to	
	the original phase four boundaries	
Property Value: The improvement		2010
	Change requested by	2010
property's total value, excluding	the increasing	
land (a.k.a. site value), cannot	properties' value in this	
exceed \$150,000.	neighborhood	2010
Grant amount was increased to	Although program increased the	2010, 2011
\$10,000, and later increased to		2011
\$15,000;	assistance to \$25,000	
	in 2007, the original	
	proposal did not	
Total program assistance up to	included a grant portion	2010
Total program assistance up to	Change to include a	2010
\$30,000 and later increased to	complete major repairs like foundation work	
\$50,000		2011
Eliminate the income limits cap (100% MFI) upon death of	If the property owner dies before the loan	2011
homeowner as long as the subject	term is up, the	
property remains in the name of the	deceased's family can	
family of the deceased, a primary	assume the initial loan	
beneficiary / family member is	term, without being	
recorded as title holder and the	subject to qualifying	
property is not leased for income or	income limitations. The	
used for business purposes.	initial loan term remain	
	unchanged if the	
	property remains in the	
	deceased's family,	
	property is not used for	
	income producing	
	purposes and	
	beneficiary / family	
	member is on title as	
	owner of public record.	
Evidence of Home Owners	Fix income and lack of	2011
Insurance is not required on	affordability was the	
properties who are receiving	argument for this	
\$15,000 or less in repairs	change	
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3. How the contractors are selected and how they subcontract or not, including information regarding how the repair portion of the program works (evaluation of work done).

Contractors are selected according to the AHFC procurement process using price and responsiveness criteria. Contractors may subcontract work. However, the general contractor is fully responsible for the entire project and for the warranty on the entire job.

The AHFC construction coordinator is responsible for the development of the site specific specifications. Additionally, once the repair options are chosen by the applicant and the project is approved and funded by AHFC, the assigned AHFC Construction Coordinator oversees of all on-site construction activities. Furthermore, the AHFC Construction Coordinator acts as the applicant's agent for construction-related activities. After all work is complete, the AHFC Construction Coordinator verifies that the project meets the proposed scope of work and construction standards. If the project meets the Client / Homeowner and the AHFC Construction Coordinators expectations, the homeowner signs the authorization for payment.

4. <u>The working group is interested in receiving an invitation to the next</u> <u>orientation meeting</u>.

Client Services is planning to host an additional Informational Session on June 22, 2011, but a time for the meeting is not confirmed yet. The Working Group will be informed and invited when a meeting time is determined.