

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY RENEWAL
NYS HOUSING TRUST FUND CORPORATION**

2008 OFFICE OF COMMUNITY RENEWAL
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
COMMUNITY PLANNING PROGRAM
NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

The New York State Housing Trust Fund Corporation's Office of Community Renewal (OCR) announces the availability of approximately \$500,000 in CDBG funding for the Community Planning Program. Eligible non-entitlement cities, towns, villages, and counties in New York State are invited to submit an application for up to \$25,000.

The Community Planning Program provides an opportunity for communities to obtain funding for the development of a Community Development Plan (Plan). The Plan produced with these resources must identify community development challenges and needs and establish a strategy to address them within the framework of specific goals and objectives.

Applications must be postmarked or hand-delivered no later than November 21, 2008. If hand-delivered, applications must be received by OCR no later than 4:00 p.m.

Further details regarding the CDBG Community Planning Program are available in the application kit. The application kit will be available October 15, 2008 on the OCR website, <http://www.nysocr.org/FundingOpportunities/applications.asp> or at the Office of Community Renewal, Hampton Plaza, 38-40 State Street, 9th Floor, Albany, NY 12207. For questions regarding the Community Planning Program, please contact 518-474-2057.