

TO: All HCPC Municipalities and Hancock County
FROM: Tom Martin, Executive Director
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RE: Hancock County Receives Funds for Well and Septic System Replacement

Home owners in Hancock County who meet certain income guidelines may be eligible for grant funds to replace inadequate wells or septic systems. Thanks to a Community Development Block Grant obtained through a collaborative effort of the Hancock County Planning Commission (HCPC) and Washington Hancock Community Agency (WHCA), there are funds to replace an estimated 24 septic systems and ten wells across Hancock County. This program is an important step in addressing housing needs in the county.

“Given the large number of households with defective wells and septic systems,” stressed HCPC executive director Tom Martin, “we need to focus funding on the households with the greatest need. Those homes where current water supply and waste disposal systems pose a health or safety threat will receive priority.” For details on the program contact Carol Lingle at WHCA (clingle@whcacap.org) or 546-7544 extension 3383. There is already a substantial list of homeowners interested in this program, so potential applicants are urged to contact WHCA promptly.