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Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago Ministry of Housing and Urban Development

WHERE DO YOU APPLY?

Application forms can be collected, completed and returned to any of the following offices:

PROGRAMME MONITORING, COORDINATING AND EVALUATION UNIT

Level 3, JOBCO Building, #51-55 Frederick Street, Port-of-Spain

Contact: 868-623-4663 Ext. 2265

MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HEAD OFFICE)

#44-46 South Quay, Port-of-Spain Contact: 868-623-4663 Ext. 2265

THE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION SUB-OFFICE

#2 McGilvary Street, Mon Repos, San Fernando Contact: 868-612-7432 Ext. 8500

Orange Hill Road, Scarborough, Tobago
Tel: 868-762-9643



For further details contact:

PROGRAMME MONITORING COORDINATING & EVALUATION UNIT (PMCEU)

Ministry of Housing and Urban Development Level 3, JOBCO Building #51-55 Frederick Street Port-of-Spain Republic of Trinidad & Tobago

Contact: 868-623-4663 Ext. 2265 Email: uurp-idb@housing.gov.tt



URBAN
UPGRADING &
REVITALIZATION
PROGRAMME

HOME CONSTRUCTION SUBSIDY (HCS) PROGRAMME

Up to TT\$50,000

The Home Construction Subsidy provides funding of up to TT\$50,000 to assist families with the construction of a new housing solution valued at no more than \$300,000 in Trinidad and \$350,000 in Tobago in keeping with the Programme's approved ceiling. The Programme Monitoring Coordinating and Evaluation Unit (PMCEU) can provide house plans upon request.

Qualifying Criteria

- i. The household income must not exceed TT\$10,000 per month;
- ii. The applicant must be a citizen and residing in Trinidad and Tobago;
- iii. The applicant must be at least eighteen (18) years of age;
- iv. The applicant must not have benefitted from any other housing subsidy offered by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (MHUD) and/or its agencies;
- v. Neither the applicant nor any other member of the household, should own or be the part owner of any other property in Trinidad and Tobago.

The applicant may select one of the PMCEU's house plans which provides an estimated cost of materials and the cost of construction, or provide their own approved house plan if:

- The PMCEU determines that the total estimated cost of materials and cost of construction is within the Programme's approved ceiling; or
- ii. If they provide a report from an approved Quantity Surveyor (QS) confirming that the cost of the whole or part to be occupied can be completed within the Programme's approved ceiling.

CONSTRUCTION ON BENEFICIARY'S LAND

Applicants who own land or have permission to occupy land and wish to construct a new housing solution will be eligible for a Home Construction Subsidy following:

- Satisfactorily meeting the requirements for a loan or mortgage with a financial institution or NGO; or having completed the necessary work or by showing evidence of the ability to carry out the construction of the residence to the required stage using savings or savings with sweat equity;
- ii. If the work has already commenced, the builder's estimate must include a valuation of the completed work within the last ten (10) years and an estimate of the works to be undertaken to complete the job, including labour costs.



The Home Improvement Subsidy Programme provides funding of up to TT\$20,000 per beneficiary household, to assist families with needed home improvements.

The subsidy may be used to undertake home repairs for an existing house. These include: expansion and renovations, with an emphasis on those renovations that provide maximum health and safety benefits, such as roofing, conversion of earthen or wooden floor to concrete floor, conversion of wooden structures to brick structures, electrical works, plumbing work and sanitary works.

HIS - Qualifying Criteria

To qualify for a Home Improvement Subsidy, the following criteria must be met:

- i. The household income must not exceed TT\$10,000 per month;
- ii. The applicant must be a citizen and residing in Trinidad and Tobago;
- iii. The applicant must be at least eighteen (18) years of age;
- iv. The applicant or any other household member must not have benefitted from any housing subsidy offered by the MHUD and/or its agencies;
- v. The applicant must provide proof of ownership or have legal permission to occupy the property. Consideration will be given to persons who are in possession of a Certificate of Comfort.

