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### Grants Awarded

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**Congratulations to the  
following client who**

## NSP Groundbreaking Ceremonies

Groundbreaking ceremonies were held last week in Vineland and Bridgeton for the construction of two new homes through the Cumberland Empowerment Zone's Neighborhood Stabilization Program. The program plans to rehabilitate or reconstruct foreclosed or abandoned properties in targeted neighborhoods in Vineland, Bridgeton and Commercial Township and sell them as affordable homes to qualified buyers.

Esther Mae Jones and her family will be the new homeowners of a two story, three-bedroom house under construction at 809 East Montrose Street in Vineland where city, county and state officials gathered for the first of the two groundbreaking ceremonies. "It is a blessing that I was chosen for the house lottery." Jones said. "We are looking forward to moving in this fall when construction is complete."

Vineland Mayor, Robert Romano is eager to see new life where a crumbling 90-year-old building once stood. "Before the acquisition of this property through the Neighborhood Stabilization Program, this home was foreclosed and vacant," said Romano. "What was once a blight on the neighborhood is now the beginning of a new future."

A similar transformation is taking place on Bridgeton's American Avenue where a run-down structure is being demolished to make room for a new ranch style home to be owned by Pablo and Vema Viera. Mr. Viera is a wheelchair user, and the house will be fully

recently received a grant award:

The City of Nanticoke, PA - \$500,000 from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development HOME Program.

### Triad Awarded Western Chester County Study

The proposal from Triad Associates was selected from more than a dozen competing firms to conduct an economic study of Western Chester County, Pennsylvania. The Triad proposal was submitted in partnership with Real Estate Strategies, a Paoli, Pennsylvania based firm and MarketShift, a Philadelphia-based marketing firm. The project involves an analysis of economic conditions and opportunities for a mix of urban and rural municipalities within the Coatesville School District, including the City of Coatesville. The goal of the study will be to provide the region and the participating municipalities with economic development

wheelchair accessible to accommodate his special needs.

"We are excited to be a part of this," said Bridgeton Mayor Albert Kelly. "We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Viera to our city, and look forward to more projects like this that help build Bridgeton's future."

Nine more homes in Vineland, Bridgeton, and Commercial Township are in the process of acquisition and rehabilitation as part of the Neighborhood Stabilization Program. Repairs may include roof replacement, new HVAC unit(s), new water heater, new windows (dual pane), insulated exterior doors, new appliances, new flooring, interior and exterior paint, new front yard landscaping, baseboards, attic insulation, smoke detectors, new plumbing and electrical and inspection for termites and lead-based paint.

Six additional units located in redeveloped Millville Gardens are also being funded through the Neighborhood Stabilization Program and will be sold as affordable units.

Triad Associates has been designated to act as the program Administrative Agent to qualify and assist home buyers through the application process. For more information visit [our housing web site](#).

## Funding Opportunities

### American Heritage Preservation Grants - FY2011

Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) announces funds to support the preservation of endangered and fragile collections of art, rare books, scientific specimens, and historical documents (photographs, maps, deeds, etc.) held in small- and medium-sized museums, archives, and libraries.

Eligibility: City or township governments, county governments, state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Deadline: September 15, 2010.

Pre-Application Web Conference: August 5, 2010, at 3 - 4 pm, or August 12, 2010, at 3 - 4 pm.

Funds: Awards range up to \$3,000.

For more information go to [IMLS' web site](#).

### Sustaining Cultural Heritage Collections (SCHC)

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) announces funds to support cultural institutions that meet the complex challenge of preserving large and diverse holdings of humanities materials for future generations by supporting preventive conservation measures that mitigate deterioration and prolong the useful life of collections. Planning and Implementation grants are being awarded.

Eligibility: City or township governments, county governments, state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Deadline: November 16, 2010.

Funds: Awards range up to \$400,000.

For more information visit [NEH's web site](#).

options and alternatives to expand the ratable base and job growth in the area. The study will begin in the Fall of 2010 and run for approximately 12 months with an anticipated completion date by Fall 2011.

### **The Recovery Act - Transforming America's Transportation Sector: Batteries and Electric Vehicles**

The Department of Energy (DOE) recently released a report illustrating how Recovery Act funds, coupled with the Advanced Technology Vehicle Manufacturing Loan Program, have spearheaded projects to advance vehicle technologies in electricity and reduce our dependence on oil. These projects support the development, manufacturing and deployment of the batteries, components, vehicles and chargers necessary to put millions of electric vehicles on America's roads.

According to the report

### **The Conservation Project Support Program**

Institute of Museum and Library Services awards grants to help museums identify conservation needs and priorities, and perform activities to ensure the safekeeping of their collections. Conservation Project Support grants help museums develop and implement a logical, institution-wide approach to caring for their living and material collections. All applications must demonstrate that the primary goal of the project is conservation care, and not collection management or maintenance.

Eligibility: State and local governments and nonprofit organizations  
Deadline: October 1, 2010

Pre-Application Web Conference: August 19th at 3:00-4:00 p.m. and September 2nd at 3:00-4:00 p.m.

Funds: Awards range from \$5,000 - \$15,000. There is a 1-1 cost share requirement.

Grants are available for many types of conservation activities, including surveys (general, detailed condition, or environmental); training; treatment; and environmental improvements. Museums are encouraged to share the impact of conservation activities with their communities through outreach and programs.

For more information go to [IMLS' web site](#).

### **Grants for Music Education for Children**

The Mockingbird Foundation Inc. announces funds to support programs that effect improvements in music education for children.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations, community-based organizations and Local Educational Agencies.

Deadline: LOI - September 1, 2010.

Funds: Awards range from \$50-\$5,000.

For more information go to [Mockingbird's web site](#).

### **2010 Housing for Everyone**

TD Bank's Charitable Foundation announces funds to support the most innovative plans that preserve and improve affordable housing units for low- and moderate-income families or individuals. The capital improvement projects must make a qualitative difference in the lives of residents, improve the overall condition of the property, provide overall operational cost savings and/or improve energy efficiency.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations and state/local governments

Deadline: September 3, 2010

Funds: The TD Charitable Foundation will award 34 grants totaling \$1.7 million. Four grants of \$100,000 will be awarded to the best grant competition applications received companywide.

For more information visit [TD Bank's web site](#).

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## **Pennsylvania's Early Intervention**

the Recovery Act included \$2.4 billion to establish 30 electric vehicle battery and component manufacturing plants and support some of the world's first electric vehicle demonstration projects. For every dollar of the \$2.4 billion, the companies have matched it at a minimum of dollar for dollar. Additionally, DOE's Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy (ARPA-E) is providing over \$80 million for more than 20 transformative research and development projects.

What does that mean for us?

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## Program for Municipalities

The State of Pennsylvania provides matching grant funds to assist municipalities experiencing fiscal difficulties to develop comprehensive multi-year financial plans and establish short and long term financial objectives. Grants of up to \$100,000 are available to help local governments effectively manage their financial positions and achieve or maintain long term fiscal and economic viability. A 50% match is required.

According to program guidelines, the Early Intervention Program (EIP) was designed to offer a pre-emptive step for municipalities, while not yet formally declared distressed, are realizing difficulties and seek to improve their financial position. The Early Intervention Program supports municipalities by offering grants that can be used to fund costs associated with hiring an independent financial consultant to prepare a three to five year financial plan and management review of their municipality. Any Pennsylvania local government or combination of local governments including counties, cities, boroughs, town, townships and Home Rule municipalities are eligible to apply for funds.

For more information visit [PA's web site](#).