

Current Bid Deadlines:

Community Housing Services
Program 1 Unit - Due 11/05/14

Community Housing Services
Emergency Program 1 Unit
Due 11/06/14

Currently accepting applications from potential home buyers for newly constructed homes through our Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2. [Page 3](#)

Plan Commission Meetings

November 12, 2014 @ 4:00 pm

Council Meetings

November 4, 2014 @ 6:45 pm

November 18, 2014 @ 6:45 pm

City Hall Holiday Closings

November 11, 2014 - Veterans Day

November 27, 2014 - Thanksgiving Holiday

November 28, 2014 - Thanksgiving Holiday

Recent Building Permits:

Single Family Home - 518 4th Ave.

Turnstile and new entry vestibule,
John Deere Cylinder - 909 River Drive.

Single Family Home - 1019 27th Ave. Ct.

Group Home - 3605 26th Ave.

Single Family Home, Habitat for Humanity
- 529 5th Avenue

Washington Square Apartments For Sale Price Reduced By \$250,000.00



WASHINGTON SQUARE APTS

Located in the center of Downtown Moline, Washington Square Apartments is just across the street from Bass Street Landing and the Historic Block. It is also just a few blocks from the Ben Butterworth Parkway, the Mississippi River, John Deere Commons, the iWireless Center, and the future site of the Quad Cities to Chicago Amtrak station. Originally listed for 1 million dollars, the sale price for Washington Square Apts. has been reduced to \$750,000.00, however, the City of Moline is also considering all reasonable offers made on the property.

There are five one-bedroom units and

five two-bedroom units in the building. All 10 units have new mechanical (HVAC/AC), electrical, and plumbing. All units have been freshly painted, have new floor coverings, are supplied with energy star appliances and contain individual laundry facilities. For more information, or to make an offer, contact Chris Mathias, Property Management Coordinator, at 309-524-2036 or cmathias@moline.il.us.



Local Events

Nov. 5	Renew Moline's 25th Aniv. Gala 6pm	Nov. 14	Hunter Hayes @ iWireless 7pm
Nov. 6	James Taylor @ iWireless 8pm	Nov. 22	Lighting on the Commons 3:30pm
Nov. 9	Motley Crue @ iWireless 7pm	Nov. 25	Slipknot with Korn @ iWireless 7pm

NEIGHBOR OF THE MONTH

The Neighborhood Partnership Committee (NPC) recognized Ryan and Andrea Ellis as "Neighbor of the Month" on October 14, 2014, for their collaborative efforts to support NPC's goals and neighborhood improvement efforts.



After



Before

The NPC also recognized Trimble Funeral Home and City View Celebration at Trimble Pointe on October 14, 2014, as the "Commercial Neighbor of the Month".



The NPC assists Moline Residents by providing guidance, information, and assistance to better their respective neighborhoods by way of their neighborhood associations. Currently, Moline has eight established neighborhoods and is actively assisting other neighborhoods and organizations in the process. For more information on NPC, please visit moline.il.us.

CHICAGO-MOLINE RAIL LINE

The Illinois Department of Transportation announced October 21, 2014, that construction has started to restore passenger rail service between Chicago and the Quad Cities. The \$255 million project is mostly funded by a Federal Grant. Illinois is providing \$78 million in matching funds. This first phase of construction is to provide signal and track upgrades to the BNSF Railway's Eola Yard located in Aurora. This is a milestone for the project as these improvements are necessary in order for the service to take place.

MOLINE CENTRE, FLORECIENTE, AND EDGEWATER PLAN WINS A STATE AWARD

The Moline Riverfront Neighborhoods Comprehensive Plan Update has received the 2014 Strategic Plan Award from the Illinois Chapter of the American Planning Association. There were over 50 nominations for program awards. The Plan was adopted April 22, 2014, and was completed by The Lakota Group, a planning and urban design firm based in Chicago, Illinois; The Community and Land Use Economics Group (economic development) of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; TY-Lin International (transportation and infrastructure) of Chicago; and, the Planning Guild of Pittsburgh,

Pennsylvania (neighborhood development). It was funded by the City of Moline and a grant from the State of Illinois through funds from the Federal IKE Disaster Relief Program. Staff attended an awards ceremony and received a plaque in recognition of the Award.

ENTERPRISE ZONE RENEWAL

For many years, the Quad Cities Enterprise Zone has provided benefits to local businesses. The Zone offers tax incentives for businesses to expand and create jobs. New and existing businesses located within the Zone can take advantage of the program. The Enterprise Zone is set to expire next year, and the City of Moline is working with the neighboring Illinois Governments of East Moline, Rock Island, Silvis, Milan, Rock Island County, and Bi-State Regional Commission to apply for a new Enterprise Zone in 2015. Applications are due December 31st, 2014 and the local governments are working together as a team to ensure we retain these benefits for businesses in the region. The State of Illinois will review, judge, and score the applications in 2015 and only the most deserving regions in the State will be awarded with Enterprise Zones. For more information on the existing Enterprise Zone, and to learn about the incentives, please visit moline.il.us.

FLOOD INSURANCE SAVINGS

The City of Moline has submitted their verification for the Community Rating System (CRS) so that area residents can continue to benefit from a 10% discount on their flood insurance policy's. CRS ensures that communities are doing more than the minimum to help residents prevent or reduce flood loss.



LENDERS'S WORKSHOP COMING SOON

The Planning & Development Department will be hosting a Workshop for Lenders in the area to have the opportunity to learn about the various programs the City of Moline has available for businesses, homeowners, and prospective homeowners. This workshop will focus on highlighting the Revolving Loan Fund, Trust Fund Homebuyer's Rehabilitation Program, and the Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2. Date, time, and location will be announced soon. Please visit moline.il.us for updates.

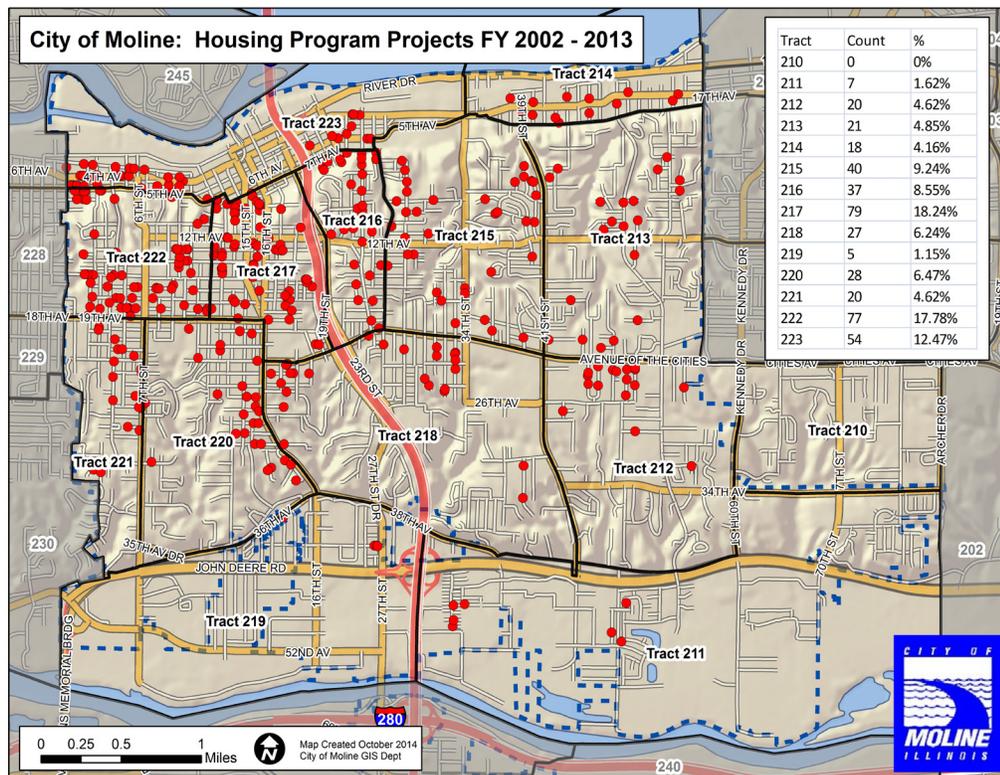
NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM 2 (NSP2)

The City of Moline's NSP2 program is currently accepting Applications for newly constructed homes to potential homebuyers. Interested applicants need not be first time homebuyers.



Details of the NSP2 homes:

- Homes are ready to move into.
- Homes will be sold at appraised value.
- The sale price reflects the direct buyer assistance deduction (up to \$35,000).
- Borrower must contribute a minimum of \$1,000 to the transaction.
- Homebuyer signs a 10-year forgivable recapture agreement.



In order to tour or make an offer on any of these homes, the buyer must first complete an application and be approved by the City of Moline's NSP2 homebuyer program. To meet NSP2 guidelines, homes must be designated at certain income levels. Households earning up to 50% Area Median Income (AMI), meeting eligibility requirements, and approved by the City of Moline's NSP2 homebuyer program, are able to make an offer on homes designated as 50% AMI or 120% AMI. Households earning up to 120% AMI, meeting eligibility requirements, and approved by the City of Moline's NSP2 homebuyer program, are able to make an offer only on homes designated as 120% AMI. For more information please contact K.J. Whitley at 309-524-2044 or kwhitley@moline.il.us. For an application online, visit moline.il.us.

COMMUNITY HOUSING SERVICES PROGRAM (CHS)

Community Development staff collaborated with Todd Green, GIS Administrator, to create a map (above) of executed CHS projects throughout the City between 2002-2013. By way of this program alone, the City of Moline has assisted with rehabilitation to 433 homes. Higher need areas were also identified within this map, as projects have been heavily concentrated in tracts that contain a high occupancy of low to moderate income households, however, you will note the CHS program has reached households in nearly every part of the City.

For additional information, or to be placed on the CHS waiting list, please contact K.J. Whitley at 309-524-2044 or kwhitley@moline.il.us.



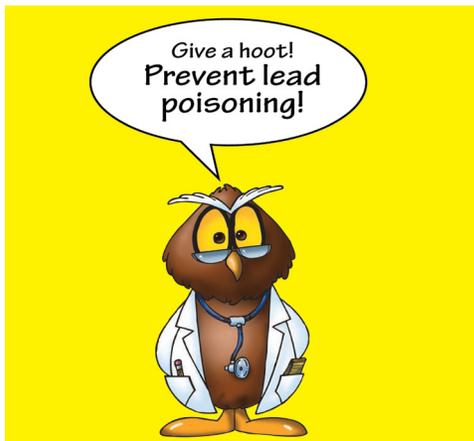
SINGLE FAMILY PROPERTY TAX REBATE PROGRAM EXPIRING

The City of Moline's Single Family Property Tax Rebate Program expires on December 31, 2014, and will not be renewed for the following year. The City of Moline will continue to accept applications up through December 26, 2014.

Construction of new housing is important to the vitality of our community and the City of Moline encourages residential development. Through this Program, the City will rebate a percentage of the City's portion of a newly constructed home's annual tax bill. The program is available to homes built in new subdivisions as well as homes built on existing lots within the City. In order to qualify for this program prior to its expiration date, the applicant must have an issued certificate of occupancy by December 26, 2014. For more information, contact Annaka Whiting at 309-524-2035 or awhiting@moline.il.us.

NATIONAL LEAD POISONING PREVENTION WEEK

October 19-25, 2014, was National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week.



Throughout National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week, the City of Moline provided educational materials and brochures about the Lead Program available through the City of Moline to 665 children throughout Moline. A special thank you to Skip-a-Long Child Development Services, Willard Elementary School, Ericsson Elementary School, Logan Elementary School, Lincoln-Irving Elementary School, and Jefferson Early Childhood Center for assisting us in our outreach efforts to bring awareness.

The City of Moline received a Lead-Based Hazard Control Grant from the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development to make homes and apartments lead safe for children and families within our community. Through the Grant, families may qualify for a comprehensive lead assessment that will identify lead hazards within their home and also the stabilization and/or elimination of the lead hazards found within their home. Funds are currently available to assist 152 housing units in our community. For more information on the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Program, contact K.J. Whitley at 309-524-2044.

BANDANA'S BAR-B-Q COMING TO MOLINE SPRING 2015

Bandana's BAR-B-Q is expected to open a location at 4410 16th Street, the former IHOP restaurant, outside of SouthPark Mall in March, 2015. The Missouri based Southern-style chain has 33 restaurants in Iowa, Illinois, Missouri, and Indiana. According to their webpage, their "real wood pit smokers operate 24 hours a day, which is why you can "SMELL THAT SMOKE" every time you [go] to Bandana's BAR-B-Q".

WIU TO BEGIN PHASE 3 DESIGNS

On October 24, 2014, Governor Pat Quinn announced a \$5 million dollar investment to WIU's Moline Campus from Illinois Jobs Now! to begin the design work for Phase 3 of the expansion. WIU's Phase 3 will focus on an engineering department and the designs could take a year to complete.



HAPPIEST CITY IN ILLINOIS

Moline was ranked the #1 "Happiest City in Illinois" based on number of restaurants per capita, crime rate, commute time, departure time, income, divorce rate, and housing costs by creditdonkey.com through data from the U.S. Census Bureau and FBI Uniform Crime Reports. Moline was noted as having an average commute time of 16.6 minutes and 1 restaurant per 303 inhabitants.

\$10 MILLION FOR I-74 PROJECT

Governor Pat Quinn announced on October 30, 2014, that \$10 million will be invested into the engineering and some construction of a 0.8 mile stretch that will connect a section of I-74 to the new Mississippi River Bridge south of Avenue of the Cities. Governor Quinn stated this investment, from Illinois Jobs Now!, is to accelerate a portion of the I-74 project which until now, had remained unfunded. An estimated \$10 million in additional funds will be needed to complete this section of the project.