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**HOME PROGRAM HELPS KEEP PROPERTY VALUES STABLE**

Major Carolo DeMaria Jr. is pleased to announce the availability of a home improvement loan program. The goal of this program is to assist low and moderate-income homeowners and eligible elderly citizens of Everett to improve or refresh their properties. "This is a zero interest deferred loan program," states Mayor DeMaria, "it's a great incentive for people who want improve their property."

This program is an interest free, deferred loan home repair program to fund the cost of weatherizing a home or bringing a property up to code. Funding is through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. To qualify, applicants must meet certain income guidelines as defined by the federal government. Funding is available on a first come first served basis.

For more information regarding this program, please call Curtis Withers, Housing Coordinator at 617-394-2313.

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For additional information please contact Matt Laidlaw, Director of Communications, City of Everett.

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