



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **BUILDING DEMOLITION PROGRAM**

The Ohio Department of Development has set-aside \$500,000 for Hancock County to direct towards the demolition of commercial and residential buildings as part of the FY2024-2025 Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program.

Commercial and residential buildings on sites that do not contain or present environmentally hazardous substances or conditions and are located within Hancock County are eligible properties. Post-demolition site restoration costs such as grading, seeding, greening and improvements may also be covered.

Barns and other agricultural buildings are not eligible unless accompanied by a residential structure that is also to be demolished.

All costs are expected to be covered by the grant program. Property owner must grant Hancock County and its demolition contractors temporary access to the property in order to demolish structures. All application materials due to Hancock Regional Planning by 4pm on Friday, March 1, 2024.

If you have a structure you would like to be demolished and meets the above guidelines, please contact Kaysie Penzinski at (419) 424 -7095 or [kpenzinski@findlayohio.com](mailto:kpenzinski@findlayohio.com). Application packets can be picked up at 318 Dorney Plaza, Rm 304, Findlay, Ohio or accessed on Hancock Regional Planning's website at [www.hancockrpc.org](http://www.hancockrpc.org)

**Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program  
Hancock County 2024 Application**

**Contact Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Desired Demolition Information:**

Address of desired demolition: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Parcel Number of desired demolition: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you the owner of this property (circle):    Yes    No

A record card for the property including the desired structure for demolition must be provided.

Please go to the Hancock County Auditor's website at

<https://beacon.schneidercorp.com/Application.aspx?AppID=1128&LayerID=28484&PageTypeID=2&PageID=11858>, print the Record Card for your property and include it in your application.

**Please circle all structures you would like demolished on the Record Card.**

**Photographs**

In order for your application to be considered by Hancock County, you **must provide at least three photographs of each structure** you wish to be demolished with your application.

Applications must be hand-delivered to Kaysie Penzinski at Hancock Regional Planning Commission at 318 Dorney Plaza Room 304. At which time you will be ask to sign the following:

- Affidavit of Blight & Vacancy
- Temporary Access Agreement for County Contractors

Blank copies of these documents can be found attached to this packet.

Questions? Call us anytime at 419-424-7094 or email [kpenzinski@findlayohio.gov](mailto:kpenzinski@findlayohio.gov)

**DEADLINE TO APPLY IS 4PM March 1, 2024**

**TEMPORARY ACCESS AGREEMENT AND CONSENT TO DEMOLITION OF  
STRUCTURES**

This Temporary Access Agreement and Consent to Demolition of Structures (“Agreement”) is entered into effective as of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024 (the “Effective Date”) by and between Board of Hancock County Commissioners (“Grantee”) and \_\_\_\_\_ (“Grantor”), and is as follows:

**R E C I T A L S**

- A. Grantor is the owner of certain real property located in Hancock County, Ohio, \_\_\_\_\_ (“Property”).
- B. The Board is acting in the capacity of “Lead Entity”, working within and in relation to a grant program entitled “Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program”, which provides funding for the demolition of certain buildings within Hancock County.
- C. Grantor has applied for and been included in the above-mentioned Program, and the program administrators have approved payment for the demolition of the structures located upon the property.
- D. Grantor states, verifies, and represents as follows:
- 1) Grantor is the sole owner of the above property, and no other person or entity has any ownership, possessory, or leasehold interest, or any right to occupy or utilize any portion of the property, or any structures on the property.
  - 2) Grantor understands that the property has been identified as qualifying for demolition of the structures located upon it under the Building Demolition and Site Revitalization grant program.
  - 3) Grantor represents that the property is not eligible for funds as a Brownfield site, and represents that to Grantor’s knowledge, the property does not contain hazardous materials of substances, nor has there been a release of any hazardous materials or substances upon the property.
  - 4) Grantor affirms and represents that no person or entity has occupied the property during any portion of the last 90 days, and that the property is a vacant, abandoned, or blighted property.
  - 5) Grantor hereby consents to the demolition of all structures located upon the property pursuant to the Building Demolition and Site Revitalization grant program, and further gives and grants consent to the Hancock Regional Planning Commission, or alternatively the Board of Hancock County Commissioners, to arrange for, contract for, and expedite the demolition of all structures located upon it.

6) Grantor further waives and releases any and all claims which may arise from the process or completion of the said demolition, for reduction in value of the property due to the demolition, or for any damages which may result to the property or Grantor due to the completion or the process of the demolition.

7) Grantor further indemnifies the Hancock Regional Planning Commission, the Board of Hancock County Commissioners, and their employees, agents, contractors, invitees, successors and assigns, for any and all damages which may result or allegedly result, or may be claimed against those entities in the nature of personal injuries or damages to property, which arise from any act or omission with respect to the property or the process of demolition of the structures.

8) Grantor acknowledges that no funds will be coming to Grantor in respect to this consent, or in respect to the demolition of the structures.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Grantor grants a non-exclusive right to the Board of Hancock County Commissioners, its agents, employees, contractors, invitees, and assigns to access the property to facilitate the demolition of those structures located on the property, subject to the terms, requirements and limitations set forth herein:

1. Use of Property. Subject to the terms set forth in this Agreement, Licensee, its employees, contractors, and agents shall have the right to access the Property for the purpose of planning, staging, and executing the demolition of all structures located upon the property.

2. Rights Reserved. Grantor retains, reserves and shall continue the use of Grantor's Property for any and all purposes not inconsistent with the rights granted to Grantee, and not inconsistent with the exercise of those rights by Grantee.

3. Entire Agreement. This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties relating to the rights herein granted and the obligations herein assumed. Any oral representations or modifications concerning this Agreement shall be of no force and effect except in a subsequent modification in writing, signed by the party to be charged.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the Grantor herein has executed this instrument with the following signatures:

**Grantor:**

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: PROPERTY OWNER \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF OHIO

COUNTY OF HANCOCK

Acknowledged before me by \_\_\_\_\_,  
this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

**Grantee:**

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF OHIO

COUNTY OF HANCOCK

Acknowledged before me by \_\_\_\_\_,  
this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

STATE OF OHIO  
HANCOCK COUNTY

**AFFIDAVIT OF BLIGHT AND VACANCY**

RE: \_\_\_\_\_  
(ADDRESS OF PROPERTY)

\_\_\_\_\_ personally appeared before me  
(Please Print Name)  
the undersigned deponent, who being duly sworn, deposes and says on oath the (s)he has ownership of the above referenced property and that the above referenced property is blighted and vacant. Deponent acknowledges affirms and represents that no person or entity has occupied the property during any portion of the last 90 days, and that the property is a vacant, abandoned, or blighted property.

Deponent's attention has been directed to the fact that this affidavit will be relied upon by Hancock County and the Ohio Department of Development for making determinations of eligibility for the purposes of the Ohio Department of Development's Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Deponent (print name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Deponent's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parcel Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone number

Sworn to and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public seal and signature