

**Divisions of Water, WPC and CPP**

**Request for Legislation**

**The Department of Public Utilities is seeking legislation for a direct contract award to CHN Housing Partners, formerly known as Cleveland Housing Network, to administer energy, water, and sewer conservation programs for low-income homeowners in the City of Cleveland for the Divisions of Water, WPC and Cleveland Public Power for a period up to one year, with one option to renew for a period up to one year, exercisable by the Director of Public Utilities.**

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**Background/Purpose:**

CHN Housing Partners, formerly known as Cleveland Housing Network, has 30 years of experience in administering energy and weatherization services to low-income homeowners, completing over 120,000 jobs since 1981. This work has included whole-house insulation, water repairs, energy efficient lighting/appliances, high efficiency mechanical systems and other improvements related to health, safety and energy efficient housing.

The purpose of this program is to provide low-income Cleveland area homeowners with conservation devices and minor repairs to help reduce resource usage that will result in cost savings on their utilities as well as to insure the overall safety of the homeowners' homes by correcting hazardous conditions.

**Scope of Work/Commodities/Services:**

For the Division of Water and the Division of WPC, the program will install water conservation devices, correct minor plumbing problems and repair or replace water service lines. Also, replace broken main sewer lines and perform basement clean-up in the event of sewer back-up. Repair/correction of frozen water lines including thawing lines

For Cleveland Public Power, the program will replace "energy hog" refrigerators with new energy efficient models to reduce energy consumption. In addition, critical electrical repairs will be completed in cases of unsafe wiring. Also, provide LED light bulbs to homeowners.

**Justification/Urgency:**

The contract is necessary in order to continue to provide low-income Cleveland area homeowners' with the needed assistance in keeping down costs on their utility bills.

**Anticipated Costs and funding source:**

The Department of Public Utilities anticipates the total cost for this program is \$925,000.00 for up to one-year period, with an option to renew for a period up to one year. The funds will be dispersed as follows for year one:

\$500,000.00 will be funded by the Division of Water's operating budget.

\$175,000.00 will be funded by the Division of WPC's operating budget.

\$250,000.00 will be funded by Cleveland Public Power's operating budget.

**Schedule or Term of Contract:**

This will be a direct award contract to CHN for a period up to one year, with an option to renew for a period up to one year.

**CSB Participation:**

This is a direct award contract and CHN Housing Partners/Cleveland Housing Network has demonstrated a good faith effort to meet the 10% CSB participation goal on current and previous contracts.

**Current Contract:**

<b>Vendor Name</b>	<b>Vendor Address</b>	<b>Vendor Contact</b>	<b>OEO Participation</b>	<b>Contract Number</b>	<b>Contract Award Amount</b>
CHN Housing Partners	2999 Payne Avenue, Suite 306 Cleveland, Ohio 44114	Monica Martello, Director of Energy Services Dept.	OEO determined that a good faith effort was made.	PS2020-195 Contract start date – September 17, 2020	\$900,000.00

**Previous contracts:**

<b>Vendor Name</b>	<b>Vendor Address</b>	<b>Vendor Contact</b>	<b>OEO Participation</b>	<b>Contract Number</b>	<b>Contract Award Amount</b>
CHN Housing Partners	2999 Payne Avenue, Suite 306 Cleveland, Ohio 44114	Monica Martello, Director of Energy Services Dept.	OEO determined that a good faith effort was made.	PS2018-168 Contract start date – July 1, 2018	\$922,500.00
Cleveland Housing Network	2999 Payne Avenue Suite 306 Cleveland, Ohio 4414	Monica Martello, Director of Energy Services Dept.	OEO determined that a good faith effort was made.	PS2016-246 Contract start date – June 30, 2016	\$967,500.00