Vincent A. Cianci, Jr.
Mayor of Providence

44 Washington Street
Providence, R. I. 02903

Phone: (401) 351-4300

MAYOR'S OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

December 8, 1977

IN CITY COUNCIL
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READ:
WHEREUPON IT IS ORDERED THAT THE SAME BE RECEIVED.
Rose M. Mendonca CLERK

City Council
c/o City Clerk
City Hall
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Councilmen and Councilwoman:

In response to Resolution #737 of the City Council, I note the following:

At the initiation of each of the individually oriented programs of the Mayor's Office of Community Development, public notices have been placed in the local news media advising the public of the availability of each program service. See attached copies of notices on the HIP, Elderly and Handicapped Paint, Section 312, Storefront Improvement, TERP, and SWAP programs.

Because of the overwhelming response to those notices, and in the case of HIP, outreach efforts, both HIP and the Section 312 program presently have on file more applicants then the available funds will service. Consequently, neither program is soliciting applicants at this time.

The Painting Program for the Elderly and Handicapped ceases activity during the winter months. Adequate media coverage will be provided upon resumption of the program in the Spring.

Attached also are samples of flyers for the TERP and Neighborhood Storefront Improvement Programs. These flyers will be made available to the public.

In reference to the Council's request that Councilmen be invited to MOCD meetings, I note that all full CAC and Subcommittee meetings are open to the public. In conformance with the increased citizen participation requirements detailed in the October 25, 1977

Federal Register, the Mayor's Office of Community Development will both hold move meetings, specificly neighborhood oriented, and undertake more public advertisement activities.

It should be noted, however, that the Public Hearing held at St. Michael's Church Basement on November 29, 1977 for which there was extensive advertising drew forth not one Councilman or Councilwoman, and that one Councilman only appeared at the Public Hearing held on December 6, 1977.

Very truly yours,

Therese S. Kelly

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Director of Administration

TSK:nbh

Enclosures

CITY OF PROVIDENCE

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 737

Approved; November 25, 1977

WHEREAS, many citizens of our City have not been adequately informed relative to the various programs available through the Mayor's Office of Community Development, and

WHEREAS, it has been brought to the attention of City Council Members by the residents of their respective Wards that they were unaware of the opportunities afforded them,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Members of this City Council hereby request Therese S. Kelly, Director of Administration, of Mayor's Office of Community Development to immediately take the necessary action to better inform the Citizens of our City as to the various programs available to them by periodically advertising in the newspaper, television or through whatever source is available, that the Citizens ~~will~~ be aware of their advantages, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Members of the City Council be invited to meetings periodically so that they will be informed of the Various Programs.

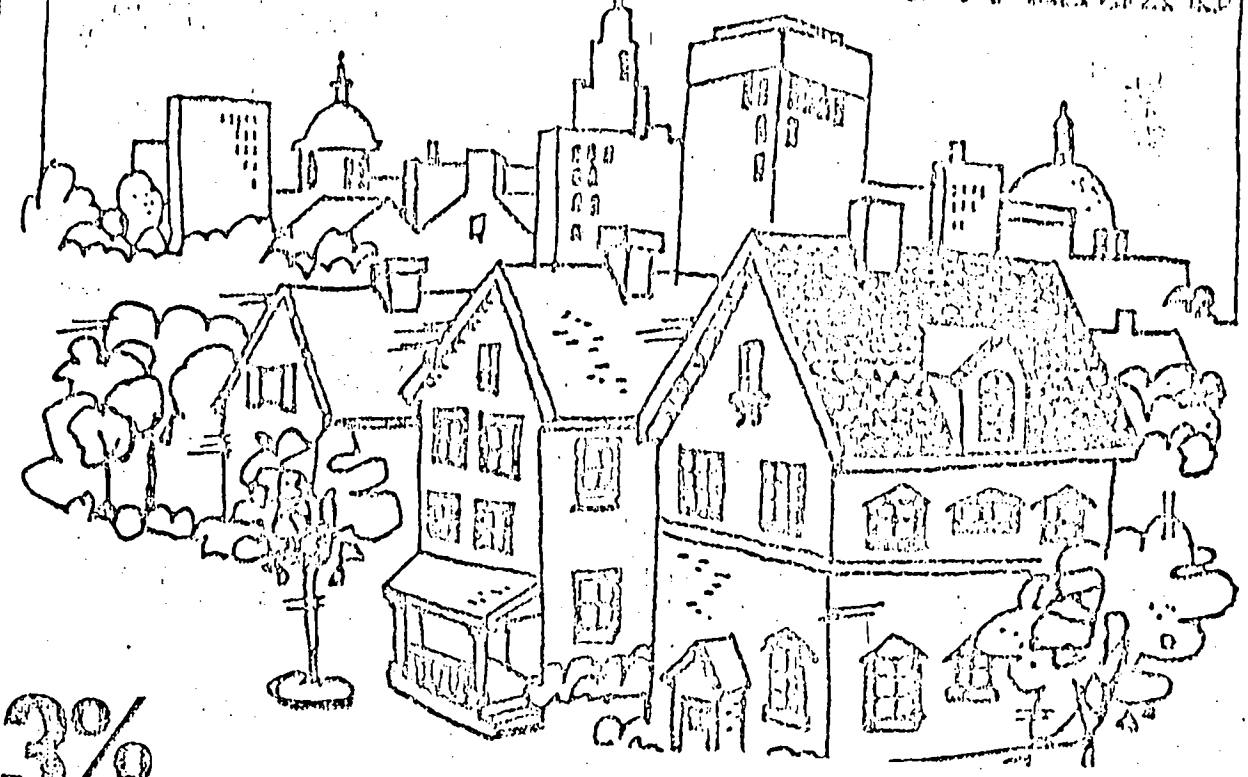
A true copy,
Attest:

Rose M. Mendonca

Rose M. Mendonca,
City Clerk.

12/8/75 Providence Journal

Providence Homeowners



3% loans and some grants are now available under the Community Development's Home Improvements for Providence Program.

Do You Qualify?

To investigate this opportunity to improve your property stop in at the main office downtown on 44 Washington Street or visit the Mobile Application Center when it's in your neighborhood.

MOBILE APPLICATION CENTER SCHEDULE

LOCATION	DATES
Hopkins Park (Branch & Charles Sts.)	Now to Dec. 20, 1975
Eagle Park (Admiral & Douglas Sts.)	Dec. 21 to Jan. 3, 1976
Admiral Plaza (Admiral St.)	Jan. 4 to 17, 1976
Star Market (Branch Ave.)	Jan. 17 to 31, 1976
And others to be announced	

HOURS:
8:30 to 4:30 P.M. Daily
Thursday nights 'til 8:00 P.M.
Saturdays 9:00 A.M. to 12 Noon

MAYOR'S OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Vincent A. Cianci, Jr., Mayor of Providence

44 Washington Street, Providence
Open Mon. thru Fri. 8:30 to 4:30 P.M.
Phone: 351-4300

In co-operation with

Funds to help handicapped, aged fix homes

PROVIDENCE — Mayor Vincent A. Cianci Jr. today announced the city's Office of Community Development has earmarked $390,600 for a home improvements program for the elderly and physically handicapped.

The money will be available to elderly and handicapped homeowners living on fixed incomes. It will assist qualified applicants in painting or refurbishing their homes.

The program, Cianci said, will be run in conjunction with the Community Development home improvement program, under which housing rehabilitation loans are offered at low-interest rates.

Cianci said an additional $100,000 will be allocated if there is a strong interest in the new program.

EB-9-22-76

City of Providence

Mayor's Office of Community Development

Notice

To

Residential Painting Contractors

September, 1976

Notice is hereby given to all licensed residential painting contractors that the Mayor's Office of Community Development, City of Providence, is implementing a Neighborhood Based Public Improvement Program and actively seeks qualified contractors to participate in said program.

Mayor's Office of Community Development
44 Washington Street
Providence, R.I. 02903

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Mayor of Providence

Joseph V. Mega
Director of Administration

An Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer

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Within two hours — a gas or electric kiln requires three hours — the temperature can reach 2,400 degrees, hot enough to make hard-surface stoneware and to melt bronze.

Mrs. Brisson said RIC got the jump on the rest of the East Coast as far as using the device designed by Baker, of Eureka Springs, who will be demonstrating it before the June conference of the National Council on Education in the Ceramic Arts in Colorado

The professor said a gas-fired kiln costs about $15 to run for an entire day, a normal working period for stoneware. The sawdust, she said, she gets for nothing from an area lumber yard.

A conventional kiln of the same capacity would cost four times the roughly $50 it cost to put together the RIC unit, she said.

CITY-WIDE — (PROVIDENCE)
SECTION 312 REHABILITATION PROGRAM

The Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development has assigned Section 312 rehabilitation loan funds to the City of Providence for those Community Development Block Grant areas set forth in its Housing Assistance Plan.

These funds are additional to those offered by the Mayor's Office of Community Development and the Providence Redevelopment Agency, and are available to those applicants who satisfy the Federal regulations for the 312 program.

Briefly, the 312 rehabilitation program offers 3% low interest loans of up to 20 years to owner occupants and absentee owners who satisfy rigid credit and income investigations and who agree to rehabilitate their property to comply with minimum property standards.

Applications for loans will only be accepted from the applicant, or his authorized representative, no earlier than Monday, May 16, 1977 at 8:30 a.m. at the City-Wide Section 312 Rehabilitation Program office at 44 Washington Street during office hours, and will be numerically listed in the order of time and date of application. A maximum of 10 applications will be serviced at one time from the established list to assure utilization of the assigned funding prior to the statutory cut-off date.

Information on the 312 program is available by telephoning 351-4300 or by visiting or writing the City-Wide Section 312 Rehabilitation Program office at 44 Washington Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02903.

Vincent A. Cianci, Jr.
Mayor

OPEN 9:30AM to 7PM

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THE PROVIDENCE SUNDAY JOURNAL

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State of Rhode Island
City and County of Providence

On this 9th day of September 1977, before me, a Notary Public, duly qualified for said County and State, personally appeared

John Volpe

Credit Manager in the office of The Providence Journal Company, publishers of

Providence Journal - Evening Bulletin

a newspaper published in the City of Providence by The Providence Journal Company, who, on being duly sworn, states on oath that the advertisement of

Providence Redevelopment Agency

a true copy of which is hereunto annexed, was duly inserted in Providence Journal-Evening Bulletin in its issues of

August 15 & 29, 1977

John Volpe

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of September 1977

Alfred H. Kenyon
Notary Public.

CITY OF PROVIDENCE
TENANTS EMERGENCY REPAIR PROGRAM

The Mayor's Office of Community Development has contracted with the Department of Planning and Urban Development to undertake an action program through its housing code enforcement division to provide emergency repairs within housing units of approved Community Development Block Grant Areas within the City of Providence.

Emergency repairs are those which require immediate action to abate a direct hazard, or immediate peril to the health, safety, or welfare of the occupants of a dwelling.

Any occupant of a housing unit within an approved Community Development Block Grant Area of the City of Providence who feels that emergency repairs are required for their living unit should immediately contact the Division of Code Enforcement, City Hall, Providence, Rhode Island 02903, telephone number 421-7740, ext. 357.

Complaints will be processed on a first-come basis except for extraordinary emergencies and the existing backlog of complaints.

STANLEY BERNSTEIN
Director, Dept. Planning and Urban Development

VINCENT A. CIANCI, JR.
Mayor, City of Prov.

appeared — Prov Jrnl Sat July 30, 1977
Sun July 31, 1977

Aid requests set under SWAP plan

PROVIDENCE — Owners or prospective owners of boarded-up houses in the city may apply tomorrow only for financial aid made possible by the city, six financial institutions and the citizen group called SWAP (Stop Wasting Abandoned Property).

Applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis beginning at 8:30 a.m. tomorrow at the offices of SWAP, 25 Mystic St. An advertisement in yesterday's *Journal-Bulletin* said incorrectly that opening time would be at 8:30 p. m.

The financing plan, proposed by SWAP, works in this way:

- Owners or prospective owners of boarded-up houses are awarded grants of as much as $3,500 to go toward the renovation of the house. The grants are awarded by the Mayor's Office of Community Development (MOCD). A total of $200,000 is available.
- Participating financial institutions then give qualified applicants a renovation mortgage. The MOCD grant is used as the down payment on the mortgage. Banks usually require a 20 percent down payment on a mortgage. A grant of $3,500 thus would help get a mortgage loan of $17,500 for renovations.

The participating institutions are Citizens Bank, South Providence Credit Union, Rhode Island Hospital Trust Bank, Old Stone Bank, People's Bank and Old Colony-Newport National Bank.

Applicants must have a deed of ownership or a sales agreement, and must meet MOCD income limits. The house must have been vacant at least 90 days, and be boarded up or scheduled to be boarded up by the city.

PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF PROVIDENCE

THE STOP WASTING ABANDONED PROPERTY PROGRAM (SWAP) WILL BEGIN ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR ASSISTANCE IN RENOVATING ABANDONED PROPERTY. IF YOU HAVE PURCHASED SINCE DECEMBER 1, 1976 OR ARE IN THE PROCESS OF PURCHASING AN ABANDONED HOME, YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UP TO $3,500.

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE MADE IN PERSON AT 25 MYSTIC STREET, PROVIDENCE, ON AUG. 1, 1977, BEGINNING AT 8:30 A.M. FUNDING FOR THE PROGRAM IS PROVIDED BY THE MAYOR'S OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND IS AVAILABLE ON A LIMITED FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS.

APPLICANTS MUST PROCESS A FULL DEED OR A LEGAL SALES AGREEMENT.

An abandoned home:

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For further information call S.W.A.P. at **467-3454** Ext. 47.

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Department of City Clerk

MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 14, 1977

TO: Councilman Thomas M. Glavin

SUBJECT: RESPONSE FROM OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - RELATIVE TO RESOLUTION NO. 737.

CONSIDERED BY: City Clerk, Rose M. Mendonca

DISPOSITION: I am transmitting attached to you, in accordance with your Resolution submitted to the City Council on the subject matter.

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