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"Striving Toward a Healthier Community."

Kirkland Norris, REHS, MPH, Health Commissioner Dr. Jennifer Kungle, President of the Board of Health Dr. Maureen Ahmann, DO, Medical Director

Dear Stark County Home Owner:

The Stark County Combined General Health District has been awarded funding through the Ohio Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency to replace or repair failing sewage systems in the county. A total of \$150,000 is available for Stark County.

The eligibility requirements to qualify for this program include:

- The septic system serving the home must be failing or has failed
- The household must meet financial guidelines to cover 50%, 85% or 100% of the total cost (see guidelines on the application at www.starkhealth.org)
- Applicant must be the homeowner and occupy the dwelling
- Must be current on property taxes (located in Stark County)
- Must provide all appropriate documentation as indicated on the application

The Stark County Health Department will begin accepting applications and will continue accepting applications for the duration of the program. Qualified applicants will be selected based on meeting all the eligibility requirements *and* on a first-come-first-serve basis. The application can be obtained at www.starkhealth.org. If you would like a hard copy of the application, please request one at our office during office hours (8 am-4:30 pm, Monday through Friday).

You must turn in your completed application with all required documentation to a Stark County Health Department employee at our office at 7235 Whipple Ave. NW, North Canton, Suite B. A department employee must witness the signing of the application (pg 4). Only one person must be present to sign in front of the employee, not both the owner and co-owner (although both signatures must be included, if applicable).

If you have questions regarding the application process, please contact one of the following:

- Steve Ling, 330-451-1470 or lings@starkhealth.org
- Emily Zwick, 330-451-1677 or <u>zwicke@starkhealth.org</u>

If you have questions regarding your septic system, please contact one of the following:

Todd Paulus, 330-451-1475 or <u>paulust@starkhealth.org</u>

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Your district Sanitarian, 330-493-9904, dial "0" and mention the township you are located

We are pleased to be able to offer this program to help the residents of our health jurisdiction. Let me know if you have any additional questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Kirk Norris, MPH, RS

Health Commissioner

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