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## THE CRAWFORD COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION, MSHDA partner to beautify and enhance public amenities and housing units (rentals & owner-occupied) within the City of Grayling & Frederic Township

The Crawford County Housing Commission is utilizing a grant awarded by MSHDA to improve the City of Grayling & Frederic Township area sites

**Grayling, MICH**. – The Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) recently awarded the Crawford County Housing Commission a grant totaling **\$75,000.00** to provide assistance in development projects set to enhance the City of Grayling & Frederic Township through its Neighborhood Enhancement Program (NEP).

The NEP helps communities throughout Michigan by providing funding assistance to complete high-impact development projects directly tied to stabilizing and improving the local area.

The Crawford County Housing Commission will use these funds to rehabilitate the exterior of 2 rental units & to refurbish the City Park Pavilion in the City of Grayling and to rehabilitate the exterior of 2 owner-occupied units along with the construction of a Splash Pad for Eagle Park in Frederic Township. The projects are anticipated to be completed by December 31<sup>st</sup>. 2021.

"Crawford County is grateful to MSHDA for the opportunity to participate in MSHDA's Neighborhood Enhancement Program" said Hannelore Dysinger, Housing Director of the Crawford County Housing Commission. "These funds will be used to improve several housing units occupied by the most impoverished residents within the City of Grayling and Frederic Township, along with making improvements to Grayling's City Park Pavilion and building a Splash Pad for Frederic Township's Eagle Park. These improvements will definitely have a positive impact in each community for years to come and I'm delighted that Crawford County was chosen to receive financial assistance through MSHDA for the purpose of enhancing the quality of life to the residents in our most impoverished neighborhoods."



NEP grants require that the projects and activities align with one or more of three core components including: housing enhancements; neighborhood beautification; and/or neighborhood public amenity enhancements.

The Crawford County Housing Commission received these funds as part of a greater \$2 million award by MSHDA for projects that impact communities across the state.

"We are pleased to offer our support to the Crawford County Housing Commission as it works to improve and beautify the City of Grayling and Frederic Township communities," said Gary Heidel, acting executive director of MSHDA. "The NEP's purpose is to improve the quality of life for local residents through impactful development projects. We look forward to witnessing the positive changes that will result from this partnership."

## About Crawford County Housing Commission

The <u>Crawford County Housing Commission (</u>CCHC) was formed in 1976 by the Crawford County Board of Commissioners under Public Act 18 to administer primarily housing related programs. In 2020 the CCHC became a regular county department and its mission is to promote social, cultural and economic improvement to the County of Crawford by providing affordable housing to persons of low and moderate income within Crawford County.

## **About MSHDA**

The <u>Michigan State Housing Development Authority</u> (MSHDA), established in 1966, provides financial and technical assistance through public and private partnerships to create and preserve safe and decent affordable housing, engage in community economic development activities, develop vibrant cities, towns and villages, and address homeless issues.