

In September 2026, Ohio Governor Mike DeWine announced \$14 million in grants to support the creation of workforce housing in 10 counties as part of the Residential Economic Development District (REDD) program. Those with questions on specific grant projects should contact the entity receiving the funding. Those with questions about the REDD program should contact Brian Bohnert with the Ohio Department of Development at brian.bohnert@development.ohio.gov.

The **City of Cleveland** (*Cuyahoga County*) will receive a \$2 million grant to support the creation of 200 new housing units in the city's Housing Innovation District. This project supports housing demand created by investments by Amazon Services, LLC, and the City of Cleveland has created Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District to support continued housing development.

The **City of Columbus** (*Franklin County*) will receive a \$1 million grant to renovate an existing office building and transform the site into a mixed-use development with 115 new housing units. This project supports housing demand created by 10 major economic development projects that have brought a combined 15,500 jobs and nearly \$25 billion in investment to Central Ohio, including investments by Cover My Meds, United Healthcare, Anduril Industries, and others.

The **City of Xenia** (*Greene County*) will receive a \$1 million grant to support the Xenia Market District. The city plans to use the grant funds to offset preparation costs for public streets, infrastructure, incentive agreements, and pro-housing planning, with the project expected to create 296 housing units within the district. This project supports housing demand created by investments by Gabriel Brothers, Inc., Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, and others.

The **City of Cincinnati** (*Hamilton County*) will receive a \$2 million grant to support the development of between 367 and 407 duplex, triplex, and quadplex housing structures. The city plans to use the funds to assist in site clearing and grading, stormwater infrastructure design and installation, and road subbase design and construction. This project supports housing demand created by investments by Total Quality Logistics, LLC and CDK Global, LLC.

The **City of Heath** (*Licking County*) will receive a \$1 million grant to support the development of the city's "Central Park" development for 1,958 workforce housing units with 1,228 units being reserved for people living at or below 75 percent Area Median Income (AMI). This project supports housing demand created by investments by many

Central Ohio major economic development sites, including Amgen, Illuminate USA, and others.

The **City of Oberlin** (*Lorain County*) will receive a \$1 million grant to support the development of 125 housing units in the form of walk-up apartments and townhomes. Grant funds will be used to provide sanitary sewer and water lines for the workforce housing project. This project supports housing demand created by investments by Ford Motor Company.

The **City of Toledo** (*Lucas County*) will receive a \$2 million grant to support the redevelopment of the historic Spitzer Building at the Four Corners intersection of downtown Toledo. The building will provide 180-200 workforce housing units, with REDD funds being used to install new water and sewer lines. This project supports housing demand created by investments by General Motors, LLC, and Stellantis Toledo Assembly Complex.

The **Village of Piketon** (*Pike County*) will receive a \$2 million grant to support the construction of critical infrastructure necessary to develop a major workforce housing project within four miles of Centrus Energy's American Centrifuge Project in Piketon.

The **City of Niles** (*Trumbull County*) will receive a \$1 million grant to develop public infrastructure that enables and accelerates the creation of workforce housing within the Mahoning Valley, serving households earning 80 to 120 percent AMI. This project supports housing demand created by investments by Youngstown Air Reserve Station, Ultium Cells LLC, and HomeGoods, Inc.

The **City of Bowling Green** (*Wood County*) will receive a \$1 million grant to support the planned development of 117 workforce housing lots, known as the Green Acres Subdivision, located near the intersection of Brim and Bishop roads in Bowling Green. This project supports housing demand created by investments by Amazon and others.