#### Memorandum



DATE May 15, 2015

Housing Committee Members: Carolyn R. Davis, Chair, Scott Griggs, Vice-Chair, Monica Alonzo, Rick Callahan, Dwaine Caraway, and Philip Kingston

SUBJECT Plano's Home Reinvestment Incentive Program

On Monday, May 18, 2015, you will be briefed on Plano's Home Reinvestment Incentive Program. A copy of the briefing is attached.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Theresa O'Donnell Chief Planning Officer

c: The Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
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# Plano's Home Reinvestment Incentive Program

Dallas City Council Housing Committee May 18, 2015





## Program Intent



- A City of Vibrant and Renewing Neighborhoods
- Intended to spur significant reinvestment in older, moderately-priced housing.
- \$617,000 in funding = more than 123 homes updated, likely substantially more.





## Program Design

- Have as great an impact as possible with
  - available funding and staffing
- Keep it simple
- Inhibit fraudulent claims
- Make it as fair as possible
- Encourage improvements quickly





## Program Rules: Property

- Single family houses, duplexes, townhouses and condominiums
- House 35 years or older (latest 1980)
- County Appraisal District value total </=
  70% FHA single family mortgage limit
  (\$217,350 for 2015)</li>
- Current on taxes and homeowner's insurance





## Program Rules: Rebate

- Rebate at 10% of project value for internal improvements; 25% for external improvements.
- Capped at \$5,000 per property per 12 months
- Paid within 30 days after final inspection passed and all paperwork complete
- All or nothing



### Improvements

- Both interior and exterior improvements qualify, with exceptions noted.
- Construction project total valued >/= 10% of the property value (\$15,000 project minimum for a \$150,000 house) – based on CAD total certified valuation
- Qualified updates may start only after notice to proceed from City
- Complete within three months of start
- Result in livable unit

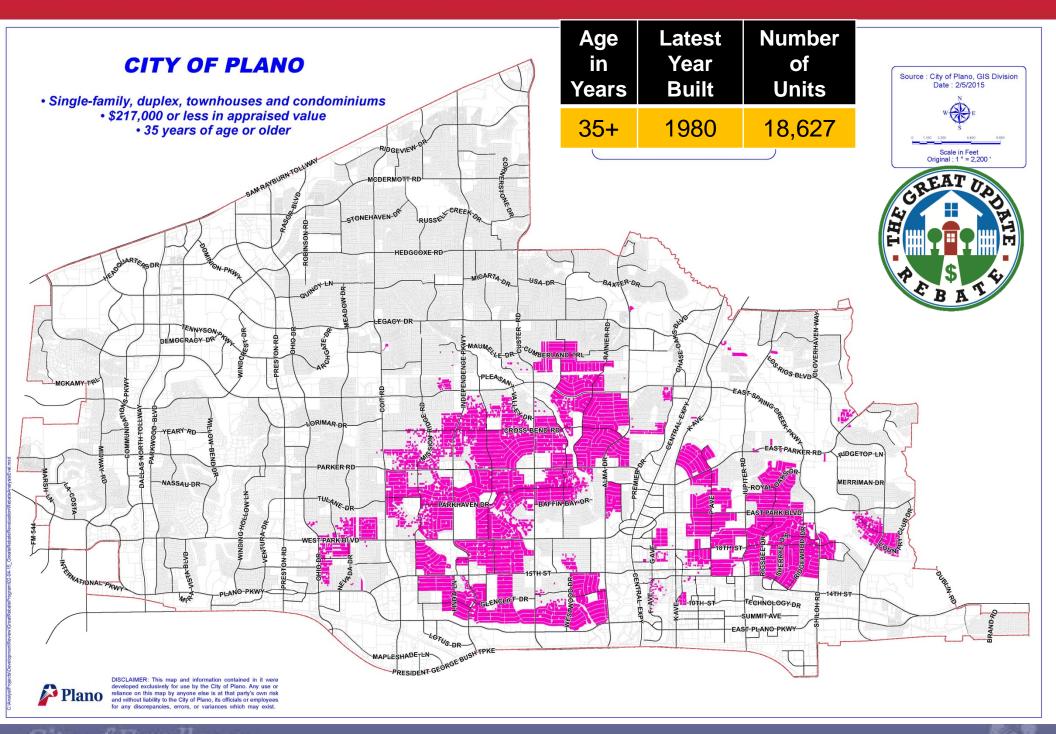


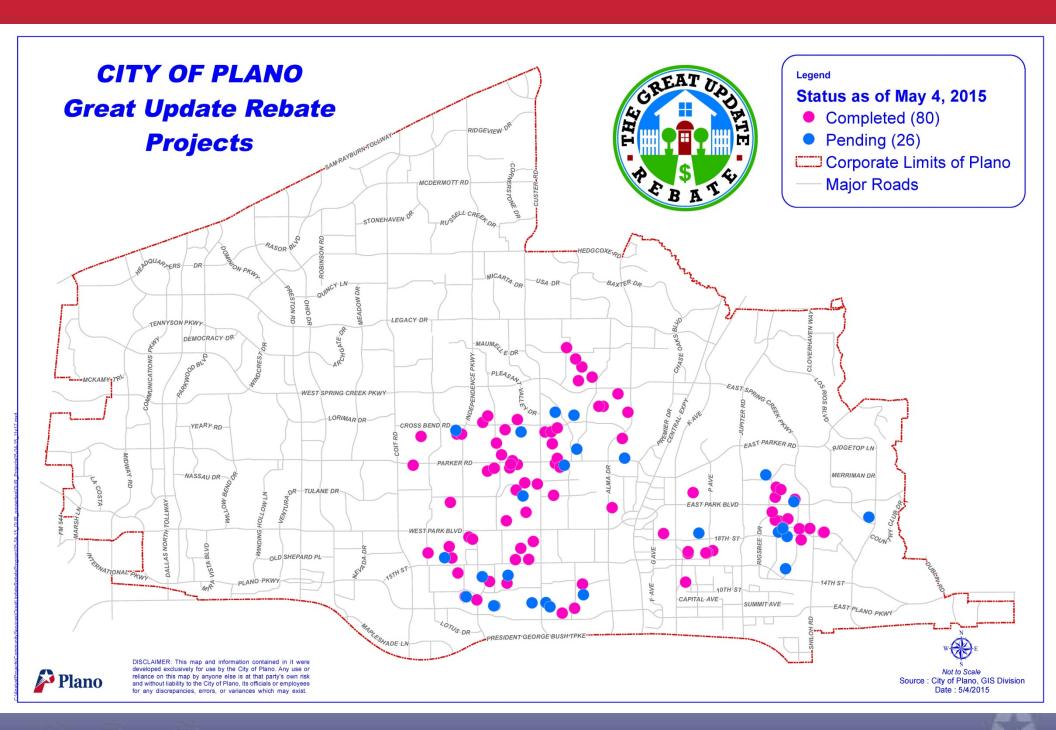
### **Exclusions**

#### The following improvements are <u>disallowed</u>:

- Due to water conservation concerns:
  - New pools, hot tubs, spas and water features
  - Plants that are not native or naturalized (prefer Texas Smartscape). Landscape not meeting water restrictions.
  - Sprinkler systems lacking digital controllers with functional rain and temperature sensors.
- Due to property standards concerns:
  - Garage enclosures
  - Carports
  - Free standing accessory structures, not integrated into the building.









## Program Update

- Operating for 12 months
- 106 approved projects
- Obligating more than \$465,115
- Investing more than \$2.7M to date
- Additional applications pending
- Takes less than one week from application to Notice to Proceed.



## Improvement Types

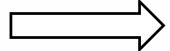
(To-Date)

- Bathroom remodels
- Kitchen remodels
- Foundation repairs
- Window replacements
- HVAC
- Landscaping
- Fence repairs





#### Before



#### **After**







**BATHROOM** 



Before

**After** 



**KITCHEN** 





Before

After



KITCHEN, FLOORING





Before

**After** 



**LANDSCAPING** 





Before

**After** 



WINDOWS, DOOR & ROOF





Before

**After** 



WINDOWS, DOOR AND SOLAR PANELS





Before

After



**FENCE** 





Before

**After** 



POOL PLASTER, TILE & DECK





Before

**After** 



**FRONT PORCH** 





## Program Update

Applications and information available at:

www.plano.gov/greatupdaterebate

For more information:

Email: greatupdaterebate@plano.gov

Or call

972-941-7151

