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**Housing Rehabilitation meetings set for Tuesday November 1st to bolster access by
3 Outer Cape towns: Truro, Wellfleet and Provincetown**

On November 1, 2011, the non-profit Community Development Partnership (CDP) will present three informational meetings to provide details of the FY12 Truro Regional CDBG Grant Program, slated next year to encompass three Outer Cape towns – Truro, Wellfleet and Provincetown. Truro's application for these Community Development Block Grant funds is due at the MA Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) in December.

The public meetings are hosted by each of the towns' councils on aging and presented by Wendy Palliser, CDP Housing Rehab Manager. Their purpose is to inform year-round owner-occupiers and landlords housing year-round tenants of the terms and benefits available for the preservation of existing housing or creation of new rental units. Palliser will also provide pre-application forms to elicit expressions of interest and need from property owners.

"Pre-Application forms express appreciation, intent and demand for the program," said Palliser, "they are key to documenting interest and need in the community and exert positive influence on the grant application process at DHCD."

In the past four years, the CDP has delivered \$2.35 million in CDBG funding secured through Wellfleet's Regional Housing Rehabilitation Program to 83 property owners in Wellfleet and Provincetown. The proposed FY12 program retains both towns as participating communities while it opens up access to eligible year-round Truro properties.

The CDP has called the program a "mini-economic stimulus package" because every rehab dollar allocated to benefit residents also pays the general contractors, their crews and sub-contractors who carry out the work to high industry standard and the local merchants who supply the trades.

Choose the most convenient venue or time of day from the November 1st meeting schedule: 9 AM, Provincetown Council on Aging; 1:30PM Truro Council on Aging or 5PM Wellfleet Senior Center.

If you cannot attend a meeting on November 1st, you may contact Wendy Palliser directly at the CDP. Call 508 240 7873, ext 14, or email Wendy@capecdp.org.

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