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The Sidney-Shelby County Health Department is offering financial assistance to qualifying homeowners with failing sewage systems

Shelby County, OH – The Sidney-Shelby County Health Department is pleased to announce that it has been awarded funding through the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF).

This funding will provide vital support to improve water quality and protect public health by assisting qualifying homeowners with the repair or replacement of failing household sewage treatment systems (HSTS). The program ensures that residents have access to safe, effective, and environmentally sound wastewater treatment.

"We are grateful to the Ohio EPA for awarding this funding to our county," said Erica Lentz, Health Commissioner. "This program will help ease the financial burden for families in need while also safeguarding our water resources for future generations."

The Health Department will administer the funds locally by working directly with eligible residents to address failing sewage systems, which can pose both environmental and health risks. Priority will be given to households that meet income guidelines and demonstrate the greatest need.

The WPCLF is a statewide initiative designed to protect Ohio's water quality by financing projects that reduce water pollution and improve wastewater infrastructure. Through this award, Sidney-Shelby County can continue its mission of promoting health, preventing disease, and protecting the environment.

For more information about the program or to apply for assistance, please contact the Sidney-Shelby County Health Department at (937) 498-7249 or visit www.shelbycountyhealthdept.org/wpclf