



## **Lien Reduction Amnesty Program**

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The City of Lauderhill has determined that a Lien Reduction Amnesty Program would be a benefit to residential and commercial property owners in the City of Lauderhill. The limited time Lien Reduction Amnesty Program will offer eligible participants an opportunity to reduce any Code Enforcement Liens through a settlement with the City of Lauderhill. If an eligibility criteria are met, the code liens will be reduced to between one and two and one-half percent (1% - 2.5%) of the lien total value, plus administrative fees.

Unpaid hard costs and out-of-pocket invoices are not eligible for reduction. These include, but are not limited to, nuisance abatement and cost recovery fees (clean and mows, board-ups, etc.) which will not be reduced under this amnesty program and must be paid in full.

**LIMITED PROGRAM DURATION:** Date of passage through TBD.

### **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:**

- The amnesty program is offered to property owners who have brought all violations into compliance with all City of Lauderhill Code of Ordinances and Land Development Regulations.
- Property owner(s) or legal designee(s) must schedule a compliance inspection with the City of Lauderhill Code Compliance Division to determine subject property's eligibility to participate in the Code Enforcement Lien Reduction Amnesty Program.
- The full amount of any outstanding nuisance abatement or cost recovery fees on the subject property will be added to the approved amnesty lien reduction balance amount and the total must be paid in full.

### **TERMS OF THE AMNESTY PROGRAM:**

- Eligible program participants include residential and commercial property owners.
- Applicable Fees:
  - A non-refundable application fee of One Hundred and Fifty dollars (\$150.00).
  - Residential (Homesteaded Property) lien mitigation amount of One percent (1%).
  - Residential (Non-Homesteaded) and Commercial Property lien mitigation amount of Two and One-half percent (2.5%). With an income qualifier exception available based upon federal income guidelines for homestead residential property owners only.
  - 100 percent of all Nuisance Abatement and Cost Recovery Fees.
  - Lien Release Administrative Fee (\$165.00).
- Must have current COU, if applicable, and be in compliance with all Code, LOR, and Building Regulations.
- Failure to completely pay the entire lien reduction amnesty amount in full within 60 days of the written amnesty lien reduction approval, shall automatically cause the fine or lien amounts to revert back to the original full amount due plus interest.
- Upon completion of the amnesty program and once payment in full has cleared, the City of Lauderhill will record a Release of Lien for each outstanding fine or lien settled during this amnesty program.
- If the property is determined ineligible, the applicant may reapply. However, they will be required to submit an additional non-refundable One Hundred and Fifty-dollar (\$150.00) application fee.

**Please contact the Code Enforcement department, at 954-730-3070 or [mitigations@lauderhill-fl.gov](mailto:mitigations@lauderhill-fl.gov), to determine eligibility or to discuss any outstanding code enforcement fine(s) and/or lien(s); and to start the Lien Reduction Amnesty Process.**