EXAMPLE 1

Credit: Detroit Land Bank Authority

Neighborhood Lots

- Allows homeowners to purchase lots within 500 feet of their primary residence
- Purchasers must have a Principal Residence Exemption (PRE). As an alternative to having evidence of a PRE, property owners may demonstrate owner occupancy by submitting all of the following:
 - a copy of their valid state-issued identification with an address matching the address of the Applicant's Occupied Property; and
 - o a **recorded deed** showing ownership in the owner's name.
- An applicant can purchase up to 2 lots per calendar year (January December)
- Sales will have a three-year Compliance period, allowing the DLBA to reconvey the lot if the purchaser is found to be at fault for blight violations
- Requires the endorsement of a registered Neighborhood Lot Endorser (NLE). Eligible
 organizations include, Block Clubs registered with the City's Department of
 Neighborhoods, DLBA Community Partners in good standing, or a Department of
 Neighborhood District Manager or Deputy District Manager.



CREDIT: Albany County Land Bank Corporation

Spend a Little, Get a LOT!

The Land Bank's Spend a Little, Get a LOT! program is designed to create more opportunities for responsible neighborhood residents to own a vacant lot on their block. The goal of this program is to stabilize neighborhoods by increasing local property ownership.

Eligibility for the Spend a Little, Get a LOT! Program:

- 1. Properties eligible for "Spend a Little, Get a LOT!" are single lots that have been in ACLB inventory for more than one year.
- 2. Eligible buyers must live within a **500 ft radius** of the property and must be either:
 - Property owners of a primary residence; or
 - Renters of 5+ years that use the property as their primary residence.

For Those Who Qualify:

- 1. Properties in the "Spend a Little, Get a LOT!" program can be purchased for \$100 for approved buyers (not including closing costs).
- 2. If applicant(s)'s income is ≤50% of the AMI based on the current AMI for the Albany-Schenectady-Troy area as calculated by HUD, a credit of up to \$500 will be applied to **closing costs** (not applicable to sales price).



Example: Everyone owner-occupant, homeowner, and renter with 5+ years tenure as their primary residence living within the purple circle above would be eligible to purchase a lot for \$100 (not including closing costs). If their family income is below 50% of Median Area Income (see chart below), then they would also be eligible for a \$500 credit towards closing costs on the property.

Please Note: Adjacent property owners and renters will be given first preference if the property is competitive.

Proposed ECLB Program

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 - o a recorded deed showing ownership in the owner's name.
- An applicant can purchase up to 2 lots per calendar year (January December)
- Sales will have a three-year Compliance period, allowing the ECLB to reconvey the lot if the purchaser is found to be at fault for blight violations
- Requires the endorsement of the local municipality, and a complete application with intended use.
- Price will follow side lot pricing calculations, but at \$20 per linear foot of frontage.