



HOMEOWNER/CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT
FHA 203(k) Rehabilitation Program

Owner's Name(s): _____ **FHA Case No:** _____
Address: _____
City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____
Telephone Work: _____ **Home/Cell:** _____

Contractors Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____
Telephone: Work: _____ **Home/Cell:** _____

THIS AGREEMENT (three pages) made this date, _____, between the above mentioned Homeowner (Owner) and Contractor, is for the rehabilitation of the property located at: _____

that has been approved for FHA mortgage insurance under Section 203(k) of the National Housing Act. The Owner(s) shall pay the Contractor the sum of \$ _____ for completion of the work, including all sales tax due by law, together with such increases or decreases in the contract price as may be approved in writing by the Lender.

The work will begin within 30 days of loan closing with the Lender and will be completed no later than _____, unless delayed beyond the Contractor's control. The General Provisions listed below are made a part of this Agreement. The contract documents consist of the architectural exhibits listed in the Rehabilitation Loan Agreement between the Owner(s) and the Lender, or as described below (or on an attached sheet):

1. Contract Documents: This Agreement includes all general provisions, special provisions and architectural exhibits that were accepted by the lender. Work not covered by this agreement will not be required unless it is required by reasonable inference as being necessary to produce the intended result. By executing this Agreement, the contractor represents that he/she has visited the site and understands local conditions, including state and local building regulations and conditions under which the work is to be performed.

2. Owner: Unless otherwise provided for in the Agreement, the owner will secure and pay for necessary easements, exceptions from zoning requirements, or other actions which must precede the approval of a permit for this project. If owner fails to do so then the contract is void. If the contractor fails to correct defective work or persistently fails to carry out the work in accordance with the agreement or general provisions, the owner may order the contractor in writing to stop such work, or a part of the work, until the cause for the order has been eliminated.

3. Contractor: The contractor will supervise and direct the work and the work of all subcontractors. He/she will use the best skill and attention and will be solely responsible for all construction methods and materials and for coordinating all portions of the work. Unless otherwise specified in the Agreement, the contractor will provide for and/or pay for all labor, materials, equipment, tools, machinery, transportation, and other goods, facilities, and services necessary for the proper execution and completion of the work. The contractor will maintain order and discipline among employees and will not assign anyone unfit for the task.

Owners Initials: _____

Contractor's Initials: _____



9. Payments and Completion: Payments may be withheld because of (1) defective work not remedied; (2) failure of contractor to make proper payments to subcontractors, workers, or suppliers; (3) persistent failure to carry out work in acceptance with this Agreement or these general conditions, or (4) legal claims. Final payment will be due after complete release of any and all liens arising out of the contract or submission of receipts or other evidence of payment covering all subcontractors or suppliers who could file such a lien. The contractor agrees to indemnify the Owner against such liens and will refund all monies including costs and reasonable attorney's fees paid by the owner in discharging the liens. A 10 percent holdback is required by the lender to assure the work has been properly completed and there are no liens against the property.

10. Protection of Property and Persons: The contractor is responsible for initiating, maintaining, and supervising all necessary or required safety programs. The contractor must comply with all applicable laws, regulations, ordinances, orders or laws of federal, state, county or local governments. The contractor will indemnify the owner for all property loss or damage to the owner caused by his/her employees or his/her direct or subcontractors.

11. Insurance: The contractor will purchase and maintain such insurance necessary to protect from claims under workers compensation and from any damage to the owner(s) property resulting from the conduct of this contract.

12. Changes in the Contract: The owner may order changes, additions or modifications (using form HUD-92577) without invalidating the contract. Such changes must be in writing and signed by the owner and accepted by the lender. Not all change order requests may be accepted by the lender, therefore, the contractor proceeds at his/her own risk if work is completed without an accepted change order.

13. Correction of Deficiencies: The contractor must correct promptly any work of his/her own or his/her subcontractors found to be defective or not complying with the terms of the contract.

14. Warranty: The contractor will provide a one-year warranty on all labor and materials used in the rehabilitation of the property. This warranty must extend one year from the date of completion of the contract or longer if prescribed by law unless otherwise specified by other terms of this contract. Disputes will be resolved through the Construction Industry Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association.

15. Termination: If the owner fails to make a payment under the terms of this Agreement, through no fault of the contractor, the contractor may, upon ten working days written notice to the owner, and if not satisfied, terminate this Agreement. The owner will be responsible for paying the contractor for all work completed. If the contractor fails or neglects to carry out the terms of the contract, the owner, after ten working days written notice to the contractor, may terminate this Agreement.

Owner Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Owner Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Contractor Signature: _____ **Date:** _____