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Franklin County works with Blendon Township to bring down another Neighborhood Eyesore

A vacant, dilapidated home at 2835 Kilbourne Avenue in Blendon Township will be demolished on Monday, October 26, 2009 at 10am thanks to collaboration between Franklin County and Blendon Township officials.

Due to a new property maintenance codes that were passed in January 2009 by Blendon Township Trustees, homes that are not up to code can be forced to be demolished. This is now the second home in Blendon Township this year to be demolished as the community and Township clean up the area.

This dilapidated home has been abandoned for several years and has been the subject of at least two foreclosure actions. Because recouping the demolition costs is close to impossible, Franklin County Treasurer Ed Leonard and the Homeowner Helpline will assist the township by covering the costs of the demolition.

Homeowner Helpline, created by Treasurer Leonard and funded by the Treasurer, and Prosecutor, set aside funding to assist townships and villages in Franklin County get rid of eyesores such as the structure at 2835 Kilbourne Avenue. "Seizing opportunities like this one in Blendon Township is critical to improving our neighborhoods, both economically and in terms of quality of life for residents," said Treasurer Leonard.

Who: Treasurer Ed Leonard, Blendon Township officials and neighborhood leaders

What: Demolition of neighborhood eyesore in Blendon Township

When: October 26, 2009 at 10:00 am

Where: 2835 Kilbourne Avenue, Westerville, Ohio 43081