

Media Release

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Winnebago County Trustee Program

ROCKFORD, IL – As Agent for the Winnebago County Trustee Program, Region 1 Planning Council offers an online sales system to sell Trustee parcels. Approximately 800 parcels are for sale, with a minimum bid of \$500 for a vacant lot and \$1,000 for parcels with a structure. Properties are available online for review, along with an application for purchase. When applying, all applicants are required to describe their planned use for the property. Bids are visible on the sales site and are updated regularly to reflect the highest bid.

How to View and Bid on Properties Online

Vacant lots and structures are available for review and bidding at <u>https://public-</u> <u>rpclb.epropertyplus.com/landmgmtpub/app/base/landing</u>. To submit a bid, select the desired property and choose "Apply for this Property."

About the County Trustee Program

Properties in the County Trustee Program, by state statute, are publicly-owned parcels. Winnebago County has appointed Region 1 Planning Council to sell the parcels, reduce the inventory of the program, and return properties to productive use.

For more information on the Winnebago County Trustee Program, visit http://r1planning.org/trustee-properties.

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