



Community Redevelopment Grant, 2020-21

Alachua County and Rebuilding Together North Central Florida

FINAL REPORT

Reporting Period (Grant Funds expended during these months):

9/1/2020 – 5/31/2021

SUMMARY:

Recap Video at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-YuRnmqxjNo>
(as presented at the __ meeting of the Board of County Commissioners)

Rebuilding Together North Central Florida (RTNCF) and the Community Weatherization Coalition (CWC) responded to the urgent community needs for safe, healthy housing and utility burden management during the early months of the COVID-19 pandemic by reimagining existing repair and energy efficiency programs to meet people where they were in safe and accessible ways. With funding from Alachua County's Community Redevelopment Grant (CRG), new infrastructures were built and implemented for Emergency Repairs and Do-It-Yourself (DIY) Home Energy Tune-Ups. Both programs were designed to provide immediate relief for residents facing health/safety hazards and/or high utility bills.

With that infrastructure in place, both programs launched in the summer of 2020. Funding was leveraged with other money available for Home Repair and Energy-Efficiency efforts via private and corporate donations, and public funds. Notably, 23,272.91 public dollars were leveraged toward this project, as were \$20,000 from Lowes and an additional \$10,000 in private funds. Several homes initially identified for Emergency Repairs were referred to RTNCF's Critical Repair Program, and were addressed with CAPP, HOME, and USDA dollars.

The Emergency Repair Program served 13 households (detailed below) and the DIY Energy Tune-Up Program served 15 (also detailed below). Response to the programs were extremely positive, and led to an effort by RTNCF and CWC to fund both programs beyond the grant period. Contracts are in the works to fund both programs via the City of Gainesville (through CDBG) and Alachua County (through CAPP). We envision the growth of both programs in the future, and are pitching both to current and potential funders to expand the programs to meet growing demand for these services locally.

ERP Status Report:

Completed Repairs:

1. S.J. – NE Gainesville: Ramp and railings constructed
2. A.W. – NW Gainesville: Plumbing repairs and hookups for kitchen and bathroom
3. J.W. – NE Gainesville: Well-pump repair, ramp and railings installed
4. M.S. – NW Gainesville: Plumbing repairs
5. B.B. – Plumbing assessment and minor repair
6. M.M. – NE Gainesville: Major plumbing repairs to ensure proper supply and drainage for kitchen and bathroom
7. O.H. – NE Gainesville: Replacement of nonfunctional HVAC system, plumbing repair at kitchen sink—leveraged funding will provide follow up roofing repairs at this home
8. S.A. – NE Gainesville: Replacement of leaking HVAC system
9. V.L. – NE Gainesville: Roof replacement—leveraged funding will provide additional soffit/fascia repair, accessibility modifications, etc.
10. W.P. – NE Gainesville: Plumbing repairs, railings, bathroom accessibility modifications
11. E.S. – NE Gainesville: Ramp repair, bathroom accessibility modifications
12. A.S. – NE Gainesville: Roof replacement
13. A.W. – SW Gainesville: Leaking water heater replacement, ramp sealant

DIY Tune-Up Status Report:

CWC DIY Tune-Ups were completed at a total of 15 eligible addresses

1. R.J. – 1351 SE 43rd St Gainesville, FL 32641 (Homeowner)
2. V.B. – 1000 SW 59th Terr APT B Gainesville, FL 32607 (Renter)
3. H.J. – 8401 NW 13 St Lot 23 Gainesville, FL 32653 (Homeowner)
4. C.A. – NW 23rd Ter, Gainesville, FL 32653 (Renter)
5. S.T. – SW 16th Ave APT 204, Gainesville 32601 (Renter)
6. D.C. – NW 32nd Pl, Gainesville, 32609 (Renter)
7. R.K. – SW 67th Terr, APT D, Gainesville, FL 32607 (Renter)
8. E.T. – NE 14th Dr, Gainesville, FL 32609 (Homeowner)
9. S.P.H. – SE 29th Blvd. Gainesville 32641 (Homeowner)
10. E.D. – NE 1st Dr. Gainesville 32609 (Renter)
11. A.B. – SW 33rd Pl APT A Gainesville 32608 (Renter)
12. M.M. – SW 20th Ln Gainesville 32607 (Homeowner)
13. E.B. – SE 43rd St, Gainesville 32641 (Renter)
14. J.C. – NW 39th Ave Lot 39 Gainesville 32609 (Renter)
15. A.W. – SW Archer Rd. Lot 2223 Gainesville 32608 (Homeowner)

CRG RTNCF Grant Breakdown

CRG Funds Designated for Emergency Repairs:	\$37,954.55
CRG Funds Designated for DIY Tune-Ups:	7,500.00
CRG Funds Designated for Admin:	4,545.45
<u>CRG TOTAL:</u>	<u>\$50,000.00</u>

Leveraged Funding Utilized for Emergency and DIY Tune-Ups:	53,272.91
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<u>TOTAL PROGRAM COST:</u>	<u>\$103,272.91</u>
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