



AHIP PY25 Critical Home Rehabilitations

Program Year: 2025-26
Community Partners: The Albemarle Housing Improvement Program
City Investment: \$140,000
Funding Source: Community Development Block Grants Program

Scope of Work. Everyone should be safe in their home, and no one should worry about losing their home to disrepair because they have nowhere to turn for help. AHIP, a Charlottesville-based nonprofit, works to preserve homeownership for income-eligible residents by providing comprehensive rehab, repair, and energy upgrade services and delivers comprehensive housing rehabilitation projects for these families. AHIP projects often incorporate a range of repair, rehab, and energy-efficiency retrofit activities. For one city homeowner with windows so old that rust was flaking off every time she used them (*top*), AHIP volunteers (*middle*) replaced every window in the home with new models (*bottom*) designed to stand the test of time, while also substantially improving the home's energy efficiency.

Community Impact. Housing is a critical component of any community's overall health, and Charlottesville is no different. Per UVA's 2024 Orange Dot Report, more than 20% of Charlottesville households are unable to consistently afford basic necessities. When we preserve these homes, we preserve local businesses' dependable customers, the workers who serve as the city's backbone, and future Charlottesville natives who will inherit these key sources of intergenerational wealth.

Learn More. Founded in 1976, AHIP grew out of the community effort to rebuild after Hurricane Camille stormed through Charlottesville in 1969. AHIP conducted 180 repairs for 82 local low-income households, keeping 170 community members safe while reinvesting over \$700,000 back into the community in the process.

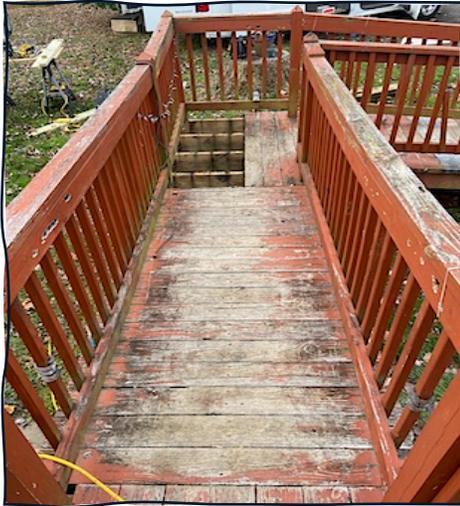
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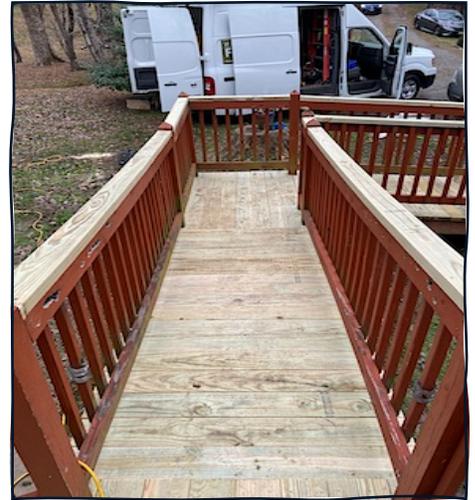
The Office of Budget & Grants Management coordinates the Community Development Block Grant program ("CDBG"), through which funding made available by the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development supports a broad range of community development and planning activities. Learn more about this work at <https://www.charlottesville.gov/678/CDBG-HOME-Programs>. Charlottesville residents seeking to get involved in this work can learn more about the CDBG/HOME Taskforce here: <https://www.charlottesville.gov/235/Boards-Commissions>.



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AHIP and its many volunteers help older homeowners age-in-place by rebuilding unsafe ramps. This project involved replacing deteriorated lumber in a front entryway ramp (*left*) with new framing and platform lumber (*right*) and adding in new hardware to ensure that the homeowner can safely access their home.



Another Charlottesville homeowner had a rear doorway that had separated from the flooring (*left*), causing a potential trip hazard and further breakage in the surrounding floor. AHIP filled in the underlying hole, rebuilt the door frame and installed a new, weather-proofed door and replaced the flooring (*right*).



AHIP projects often include work to improve the environmental safety of the home, including lead hazard remediation and/or the installation of radon-safe systems (*right*) and much-needed high-efficiency insulation (*left*).



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