



# Gratitude Report 2021





# Exciting growth and new opportunities

We continued to work through the many challenges inherent in serving some of the most vulnerable residents in our community during a pandemic. Despite these challenges, we were thrilled to be able to welcome volunteers back on a limited basis and to provide critical repairs and accessibility modifications for 141 low-income households!

We also moved forward with our Making Home Happen Campaign. In order to achieve our vision of safe homes and communities for everyone, we kicked-off our first-ever fundraising campaign in late 2020 with a goal of raising a minimum of \$1.5 million – As of this report, we are happy to say that we've met our goal! We are so grateful to all of you – our supporters, partners, and funders – who have come together to make this campaign a success! This funding will enable us to make home happen for more older adults, veterans, and low-income households, and to invest in the future of our community.

Finally, we expanded limited services statewide and changed our name to Rebuilding Together Minnesota. We have been extremely successful in providing services for low-income homeowners within the Twin Cities metro area; however, there is a significant need for home repair and accessibility modification services for low-income homeowners in Greater Minnesota, particularly in the rural parts of the state. We were invited by the city of Windom in Cottonwood County to partner with them to provide services in their community, and in 2021, we hired a full-time program manager for southwest Minnesota. We are now providing repairs and accessibility modifications in Cottonwood, Jackson, Nobles and Pipestone Counties, as well as roof repair and replacement statewide.



We are thankful for everyone who supported our work in 2021. Together, we will ensure that more of our neighbors in need have a safe and healthy place to call home! Thank you!

*Kathy Hein*

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# Voices from home

## Hannah

Hannah is 25-years old and has lived with multiple disabilities her entire life. Hannah’s mom is her primary caregiver and requested a ramp to be built at the home they moved into so she could continue to safely care for Hannah.



Hannah’s mom Debbie sent us this note,  
**“Thank you Rebuilding Together for working together in providing a wheelchair ramp for my daughter, Hannah.”**

It’s a vivid reminder that kindness still stands tall! My heart is grateful. This wheelchair ramp means everything to us. When someone like myself has a daughter with involved disabilities living at home you absolutely require various ‘adaptations’ to accommodate the fragile needs of that special person. Hannah is 25 years ‘young,’ although her cognitive skills are that of a three-month-old. That being said, I continue to share with her the goodness that exists.”

## Marshall



Marshall is 8-years old and lives with cerebral palsy. He is getting too big to carry in and out of the house, particularly for his grandparents who often care for him.

Marshall’s grandpa Robert explained to us that not many people have a barrier that prevents a person from leaving their home. That’s exactly what Marshall had. Marshall is an 8-year-old growing boy with cerebral palsy. Marshall is not able to walk, so he has a wheelchair to get around. His mom and grandmother had a very difficult time getting him in and out of the house without a ramp. And because of this, Marshall stayed at home a lot. Marshall’s world was very small, a living room and his bedroom. Most weekends he never left the house because he was getting too big to carry out of the house and down the stairs.

The risk of him getting hurt was very real. That barrier kept Marshall from doing the things he loves...swimming and traveling.

**“... Building a wheelchair ramp for him has opened up the world for him. Now he can have new experiences and make memories like every other kid.”**



# Elizabeth

Elizabeth, shares her home with her 14-year-old daughter, Autumn. She had a lengthy and stressful court battle for custody of her daughter and suffered a stroke. Elizabeth could not afford needed repairs to her home, but wanted to be able to continue providing Autumn with a safe and stable home. Elizabeth and Autumn’s home needed significant structural repairs, which we provided. Elizabeth wrote us this thank you note, “I just am sitting here so grateful and wondering what would’ve happened without your help. It relieves so much stress and allows me to focus on what I needed with the rotting wood, windows, doors, lights, etc. versus how was I going to even address the structural support of my home... I just wanted to say that



I can never repay you for what you’ve done and continue to do for me. I don’t feel so defeated with life, especially these past couple months, when I look at all the work being done.

**You have no idea how much you’ve changed my life with this help. You just have no idea.”**

# Rondo Commemorative Plaza Project

We received a \$150,000 grant from the Republic Services Charitable Foundation to add a community garden at the Rondo Commemorative Plaza, and 60 volunteers from Republic Services and several community volunteers gave their time to this project over two days.



**We were thrilled to host State, City and community leaders to dedicate the community garden at the Plaza site on Juneteenth (Saturday, June 19, 2021).**

Elected officials and community leaders who participated in this dedication included Minnesota Governor Tim Walz, Minnesota Lieutenant Governor Peggy Flanagan, Minnesota Congresswoman Betty McCollum, St. Paul Mayor Melvin Carter, ReConnect Rondo Board Chair Marvin Anderson, Chair of the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners Toni Carter, City Councilmember Dai Thao, Minnesota Senator Sandra Pappas, Minnesota Senator Erin Murphy, Minnesota Representative Rena Moran, and St. Paul Police Commissioner Todd Axtell.

The revitalized space will provide the community with an enhanced place to gather, perform, recreate and celebrate cultural heritage. This project is one element of a greater plan to reconnect the historically black neighborhood that was split apart when construction of I-94 began in 1956. St. Paul nonprofit, ReConnect Rondo, envisions a 15 to 20-acre land bridge over the interstate between Lexington Ave. and Rice St., more seamlessly integrating the north and south sides of this diverse and culturally vibrant community.



# Thank you donors

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# 2021 Financials

## Support and Revenue

### Support

Pledges and contributions	\$1,218,126
Forgiveness of Paycheck Protection Program	\$82,800
Governmental grants	\$574,239
Special events, net of expenses of \$37,658	\$36,657
Donated services and materials	\$125,277
<b>Total Support</b>	<b>\$2,037,099</b>

### Revenue

Program services	\$111,374
Loss on sale of equipment	(\$29,587)
Interest income	\$109
Other revenue	\$22
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$81,918</b>

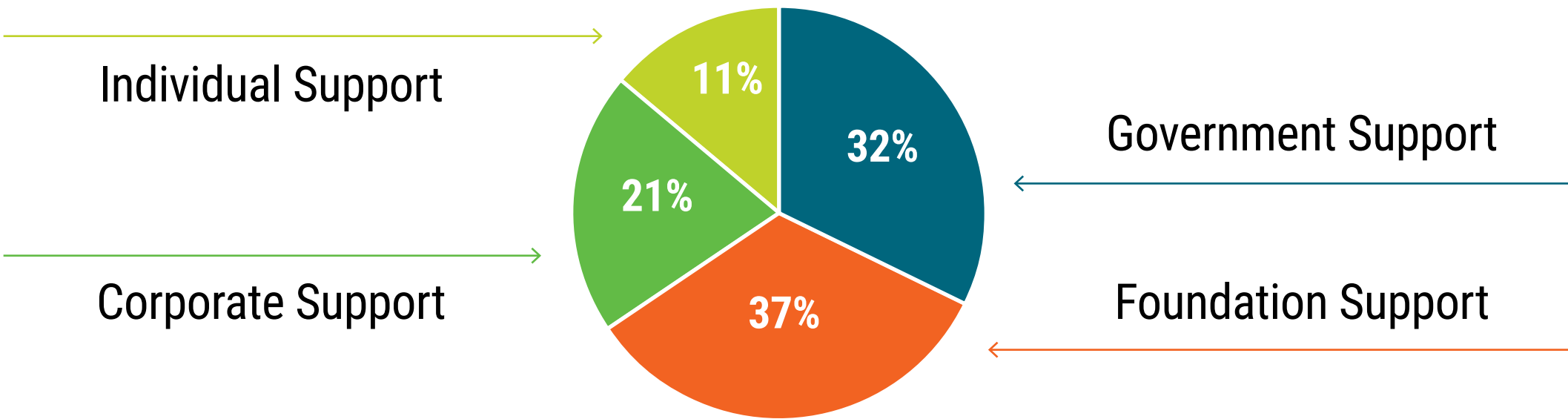
<b>TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE</b>	<b>\$2,119,017</b>
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## Expenses

Program services	\$1,135,441
Support services	
Management and general	\$119,417
Fundraising	\$94,154

<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$1,349,012</b>
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## 2021 Sources of revenue





# The need is real

We safely partnered with  
**350 volunteers**  
who dedicated  
**3,874 hours**  
of their time to help those in need  
in our community.



## HOUSEHOLDS WE SERVED...

**56%** have an older adult  
(55+) living in the home.

**57%** have a person living  
with a disability living in the home.

**17%** have a child under  
the age of 18 living in the home.

**7%** have a veteran  
living in the home.



In total, we assisted  
**249 residents**  
in **141 homes.**



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# We need your help to meet the growing housing needs in our community.

Too many Minnesotans are living with health and safety hazards in their homes that they cannot afford to fix. Through your donation, volunteer support, and overall engagement, we can provide the repairs and modifications needed for these households to have a safe, healthy, and affordable place to call home.

## Thanks again, and let's keep rebuilding... **together.**



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