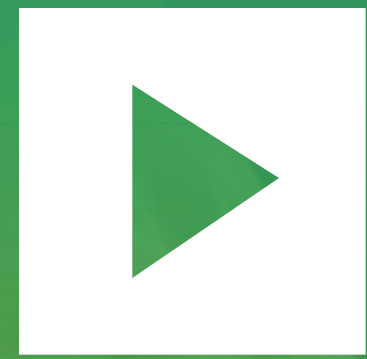




Minnesota

# Gratitude Report

# 2023





We began this work with the understanding that essential repairs for those in need can revitalize communities, and rebuild lives.

As we reach the end of 2023, we reflect with pride on the impact we have had on the homeowners we serve, our broader understanding of community, and the impact of each person involved in ensuring more Minnesotans remain safely in their homes.

Minnesota real estate costs continue to rise. Coupled with wage disparities, homeownership challenges, and older housing stock, families who do succeed in acquiring a home often face critical and urgent repairs much earlier, all while having limited resources. We are committed to changing that.

In 2023, we served a record number of neighbors in need. On average, we directly assisted six Minnesotans a week through our programs, and nearly doubled our services in Southwestern Minnesota.

Our efforts are made possible thanks to the ongoing support from a diverse coalition of community members. We are thankful for our continued partnership with the Occupational Therapy program at St. Catherine's University, the Minnesota Indian Women's Resource Center, and the generous contributions from contractors, local laborers, and in-kind donations of supplies.

The impact of our work goes beyond the families directly benefiting from these repairs. It provides their loved ones with peace of mind, knowing their family is safe at home. Moreover, it ensures that when individuals decide to move, those homes remain affordable for future generations or can be passed down. This contributes to the stabilization of communities, shielding them from gentrification and potential displacement.

We are grateful to everyone who supported our work in 2023. This year of meaningful repairs in the communities we call home is shared with each of you. As we look to the future, we continue to strategically expand into areas of need, deepen our connections with communities across Minnesota, and support those most in need with repairs and modifications to their homes.



Together, we will ensure all of our neighbors have a safe and healthy place to call home!

*Kathy Arnesen*

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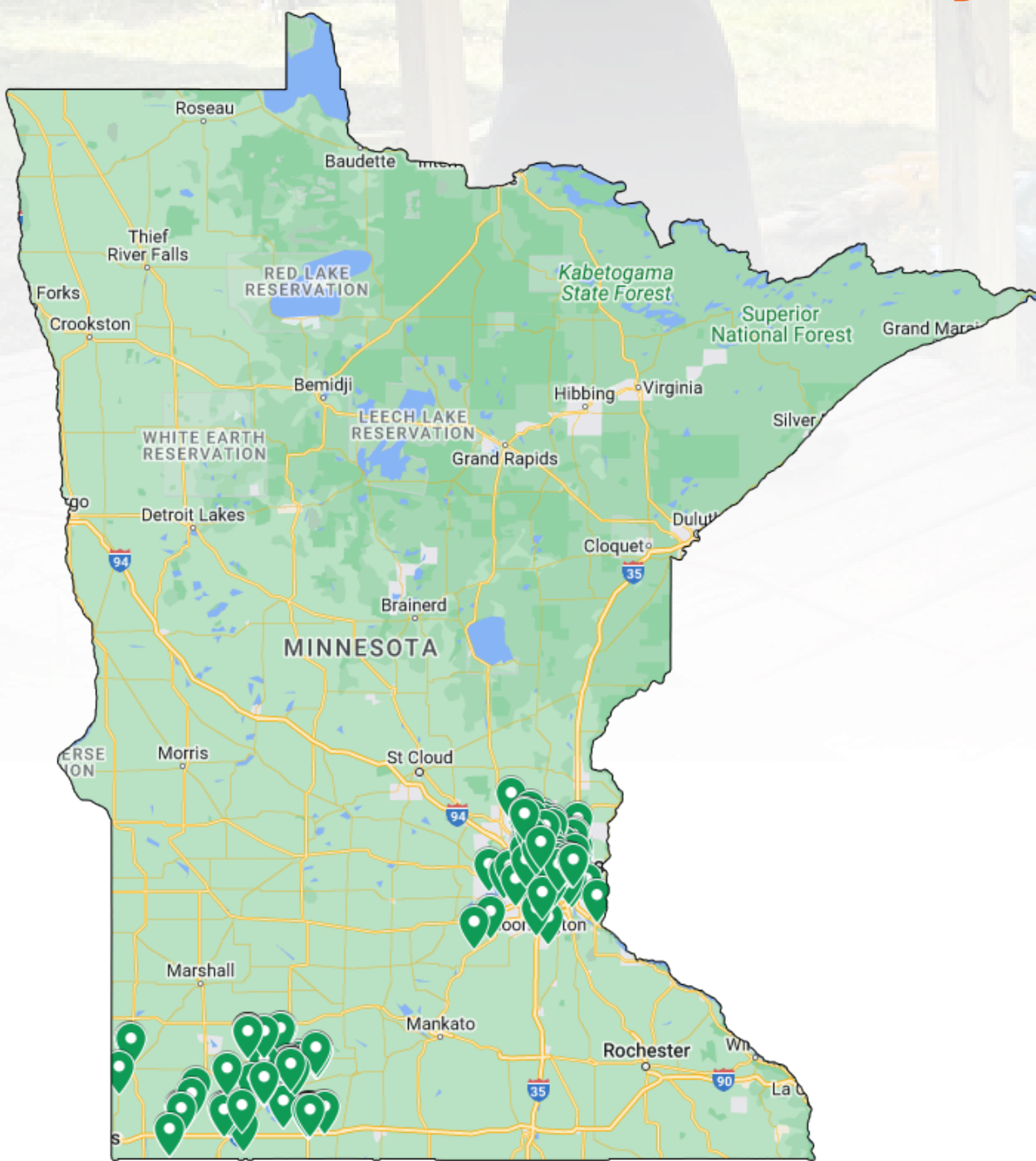
Critical repairs and accessibility modifications contribute to providing safe, accessible, and affordable housing for Minnesotans. Expanding this work through our collaborations with nonprofit and community centers ensures that these vital repairs not only stabilize communities but also enhance the health and well-being of all residents.

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# Repair Homes

## Homeowner Projects Completed



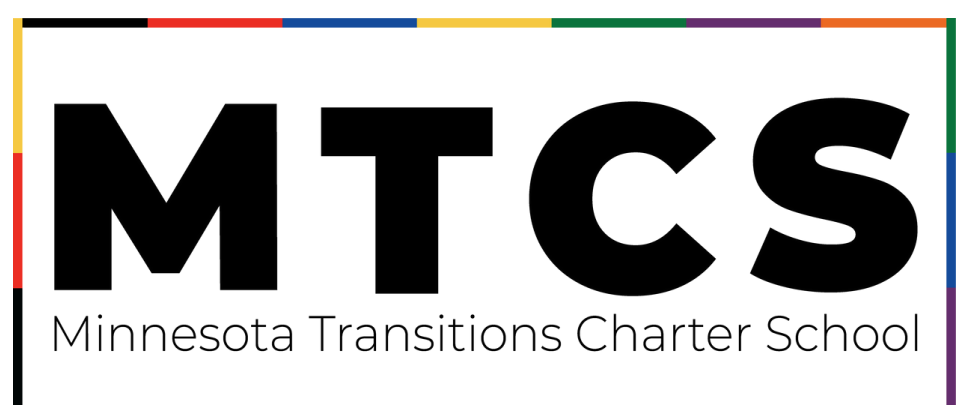
This year, with the support of volunteers, local contractors, and in-kind support from businesses in our community, we supported **328 unique addresses** with home repairs, accessibility, and aging in place modifications. These repairs affect **634 Minnesotans** in over **60 cities** and a **dozen counties**.



On average, we make repairs for six neighbors each week!

## Community Centers

We directly supported four community centers this year serving over 1000 people, including over 900 children and over 60 older adults.



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# It Takes All Of Us

## Contractors

The importance of major repairs being carried out by licensed trusted partners cannot be overstated, especially when working with vulnerable populations.

When major repairs are needed, families may already be facing significant challenges, whether financial, emotional, or physical. Engaging licensed professionals ensures that the repairs are not only done correctly but also safely. These experts bring the necessary skills, knowledge, and experience to handle complex issues, reducing the risk of further complications and ensuring that the families can rely on a safe and secure environment.

The support received from licensed trusted partners in major repair projects is vital. It builds a foundation of trust that is essential for empowering vulnerable populations, ensuring their safety, and ultimately contributing to the revitalization of communities. Through these partnerships, we can create a lasting impact, transforming not just homes, but lives.

## In-Kind Donations

We sincerely appreciate the generous in-kind contributions from contractors and suppliers who provide us with necessary supplies, materials, and skilled labor. These in-kind donations allow us to stretch our funds further, ensuring that every dollar saved translates into greater support for homeowners in need across Minnesota.

By donating their resources, these partners play a crucial role in the restoration and improvement of homes, providing a sense of stability and hope to those who need it most.

Each project completed is a testament to the power of collaboration, demonstrating that when we come together with a shared purpose, we can achieve extraordinary outcomes. We remain grateful for this support, which allows us to continue our mission of rebuilding lives, one home at a time.



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# Volunteer Impact

This year, 217 incredible volunteers poured more than 4,500 hours into supporting our mission, demonstrating the extraordinary impact of community spirit and selflessness. They rolled up their sleeves during county rebuilding days, offered their skills with administrative tasks, and so much more. Each hour given reflects their unwavering commitment and passion for making a difference and has real monetary value! Collectively, volunteers donated \$170,475.45 in value. We truly could not do this work without their heartfelt dedication and tireless efforts. **Together**, we are transforming lives.



**217 Individual Volunteers**



**Serving 12 Counties**



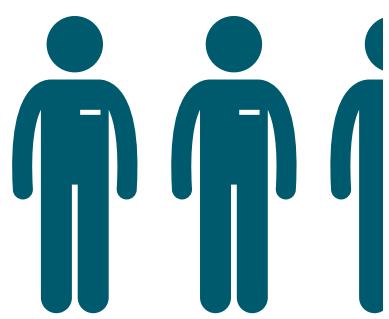
**Gave 4,695 Total Hours**



**averaging 5 shifts or 21.6 hours per person**



**Valued at \$170,475.45**



**Or 2.3 Full Time Employees**



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# Revitalize Community

By fostering partnerships, expanding our programs, and maintaining ongoing relationships with community leaders, we are actively moving forward as a convener; bridging the gaps in homeownership while pursuing systemic change.

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# Revitalize Community

## Workforce Development Program



This year, we continued our relationship with VUYO Community Partners to champion equitable economic opportunities for the diverse youth in the Twin Cities. Their commitment to launching our Workforce Development Program has been essential in uniting educators and community leaders, ensuring that our Summit effectively meets the needs of underserved youth aspiring to careers in the construction trades. The Workforce Development Summit is planned to launch in spring of 2025.

## Non-Profit Support



Through the National Neighborhood Promise Grants from Republic Services, we had the opportunity to support the Minnesota Indian Women's Resource Center by providing new flooring, painting hallways, and enhancing outdoor spaces. This investment ensures that the Minnesota Indian Women's Resource Center can effectively meet the needs of Native women, including offering transitional housing and emergency shelter. In addition, this support enabled several projects within the surrounding neighborhood, expanding our impact into underserved communities.

## Educational Advancement



We are proud to maintain our partnership with Saint Catherine University's community-engaged learning (CEL) courses. In this collaboration, students and faculty work alongside community organizations, engaging in projects that benefit both parties. This initiative enriches students' classroom experiences while addressing the needs identified by the community.



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# Community Connections

## Community Resource Sharing

We are proud to have facilitated the redistribution of supplies and essential materials from online retailers to organizations that align with our mission. This initiative not only prevented tens of thousands of pounds of materials from ending up in landfills but also broadened our impact within the communities we serve. Organizations who received these resources included:



Harnessing the power of thousands of motivated volunteers from diverse faith and spiritual communities - Interfaith Action relieve the effects of poverty and address its root causes.



Every year, Animal Humane Society provides direct care and services to help thousands of animals in need across Minnesota.



FREEDOM FROM THE STREETS

Freedom from the streets empowers those impacted by homelessness through community, and connecting them to housing using adaptive and innovative networks.



The Lift Garage offers people a vehicle out of poverty by: Providing low-cost quality car repair, connecting with community partners to strengthen the support network; and linking customers with needed resources.



Keystone Community Services provides vital community-based services aimed at strengthening the community with a commitment to serving people with the greatest needs.



The mission of V3 Sports is to elevate the community through wellness, fitness, and education.



Bear Boating offers boating or fishing excursions to seniors, active duty military, veterans, and people with disabilities, allowing folks to get involved in their local communities.



Hold Your Horses offers equine assisted services in a private farm setting. They are dedicated to providing effective interventions that ensure clients achieve wellness and increase quality of life.



Frogtown Farm dedicates themselves to the sustainability of urban agriculture, the stewardship of the environment, and the enrichment of their community.



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# Rebuilding Lives

The repairs we make are nothing short of life changing. Each client we serve has a unique story of how this work has made a meaningful difference in their lives. We continue to examine who and how we serve to ensure we're doing our part to address systemic barriers to homeownership.

- The Need is Real



# The Need Is Real

Rebuilding Together proudly works from the margins by prioritizing service to those communities who have historically been impacted by systemic barriers to homeownership, the disruption of generational wealth, and who are most at risk of housing instability.

## AREA MEDIAN INCOME

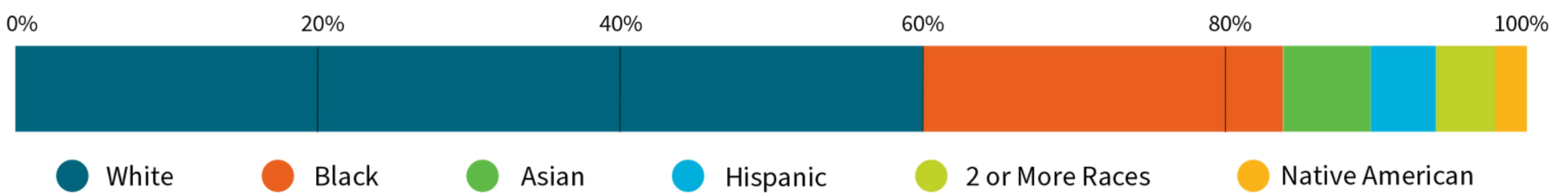
The vast majority of our homeowners are at or below 50% of the area median income (AMI). For a family of four in the Twin Cities, this means a household income of less than \$62,100 per year. Most of them are at or below 30% AMI, meaning a household of four would be earning less than \$37,250 per year.



## HOUSEHOLDS WE SERVED...



## OF THE CLIENTS WHO SELF-REPORTED...



**5x** 40% of clients at Rebuilding Together are BIPOC identifying.  
*Statewide only 8% of homeowners in Minnesota are BIPOC identifying*



# Rebuilding Together

This work is only able to be done, together. We are proud of the coalition of volunteers, donors, sponsors, funders, and so many dedicated others who have stepped forward and joined us in making a difference.

- Cultivating Impact
- 2023 Income
- 2023 Expenses
- Federal & State Government Support
- Foundations & Corporate Support
- Thank You, Donors!



# Cultivating Impact



## Leading the Way

The current housing landscape in Minnesota presents significant challenges, as owning a home has become increasingly expensive, particularly when considering that many homes are considerably older and may require critical repairs that can quickly lead to financial strain. With a large portion of older adults choosing to age in place, the need for accessible housing becomes even more pressing, especially given that less than 4% of homes nationwide meet accessibility standards. Disparities in housing based on race and gender persist, exacerbated by the recent rise in interest rates, which have erased many of the gains made during the pandemic. At Rebuilding Together Minnesota, we are committed to addressing these issues by providing essential repairs for low-income homeowners, enabling them to maintain their homes and avoid displacement. Our work not only helps families stay housed but also supports wealth-building through property inheritance, closing ownership gaps, building community, and ultimately fostering a more equitable and stable community.

## A Bold Vision for Tomorrow

Since our very first projects in 1997 through today, our work has significantly transformed the landscape of housing, prioritizing the well-being of individuals and families by keeping them in their homes. Through innovative programs and targeted initiatives, we have enhanced safety measures, ensuring that residents feel secure in their living environments. This commitment not only fosters stability for those we serve but also strengthens the very fabric of communities across our state. By addressing housing challenges and promoting equitable access, we empower neighborhoods, enhance social cohesion, and contribute to a brighter future for all residents.

Rebuilding Together is more than just our name; it is a vital call to action that resonates in every aspect of our work. Our commitment to the community we serve shines through our local focus, where we actively engage with neighbors to identify their unique needs and collaborate on solutions. This grassroots approach fosters connections and empowers neighbors to help one another, creating a ripple effect of positive change.

With each home, the impact extends far beyond its walls, benefiting the entire neighborhood. Each repaired home demonstrates care, uplifting the community as a whole. By improving the housing landscape across our state, we create a more vibrant and inclusive community. Together, we truly embody the spirit of rebuilding, ensuring that everyone has a place to call home while strengthening the fabric of our broader community.



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# 2023 Financials

## Income

### Support & Revenue

#### Support

Pledges and contributions	\$907,413
Governmental grants	\$643,890
Special events, net of expenses of \$25,553	\$4,279
Donated services and materials	\$152,844
<b>Total Support</b>	<b>\$1,708,426</b>

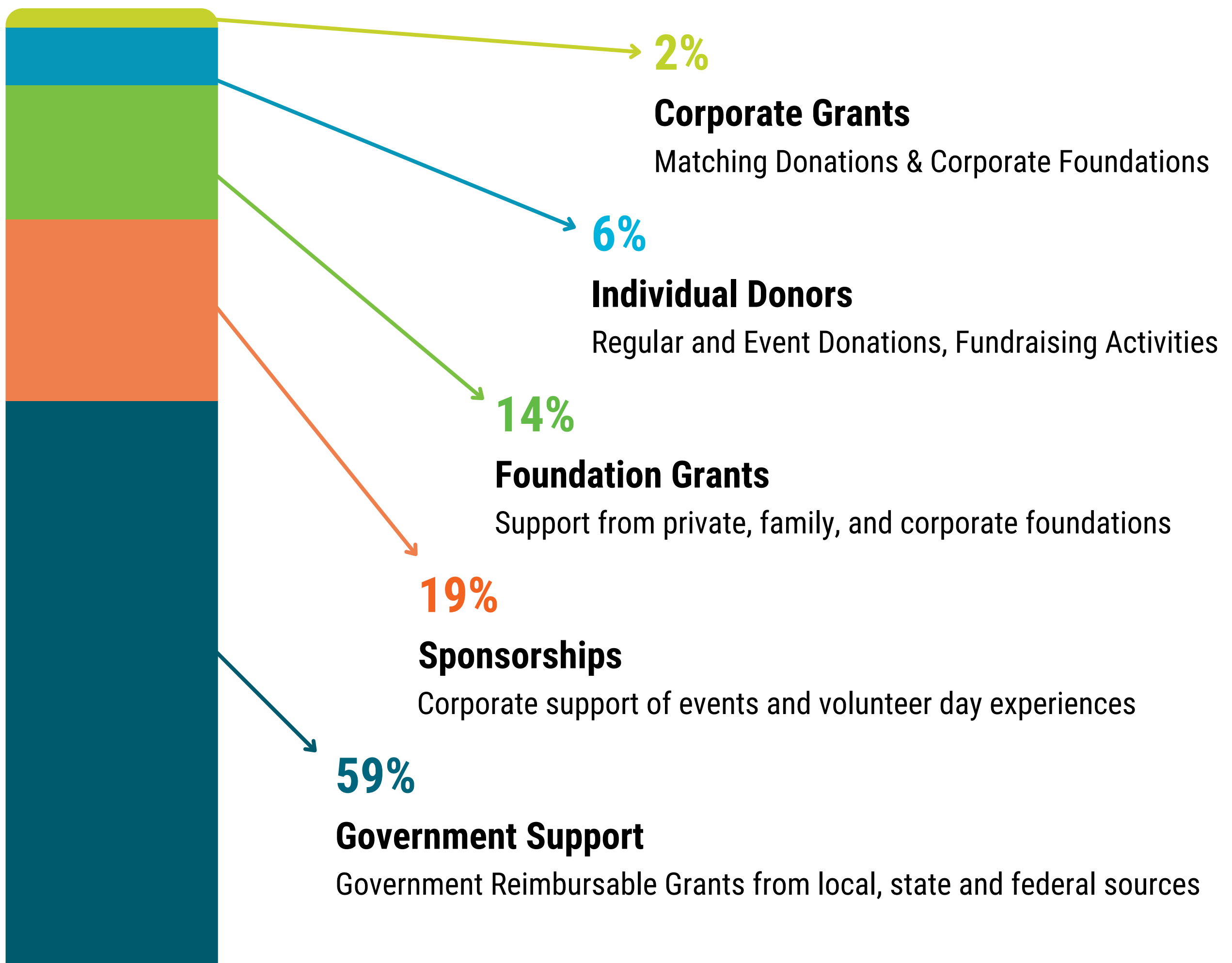
#### Revenue

Program services	\$29,294
Loss on sale of equipment	(\$17,329)
Interest income	\$9,227
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$21,192</b>

**SUPPORT AND REVENUE**

**\$1,729,618**

## 2023 Sources of revenue



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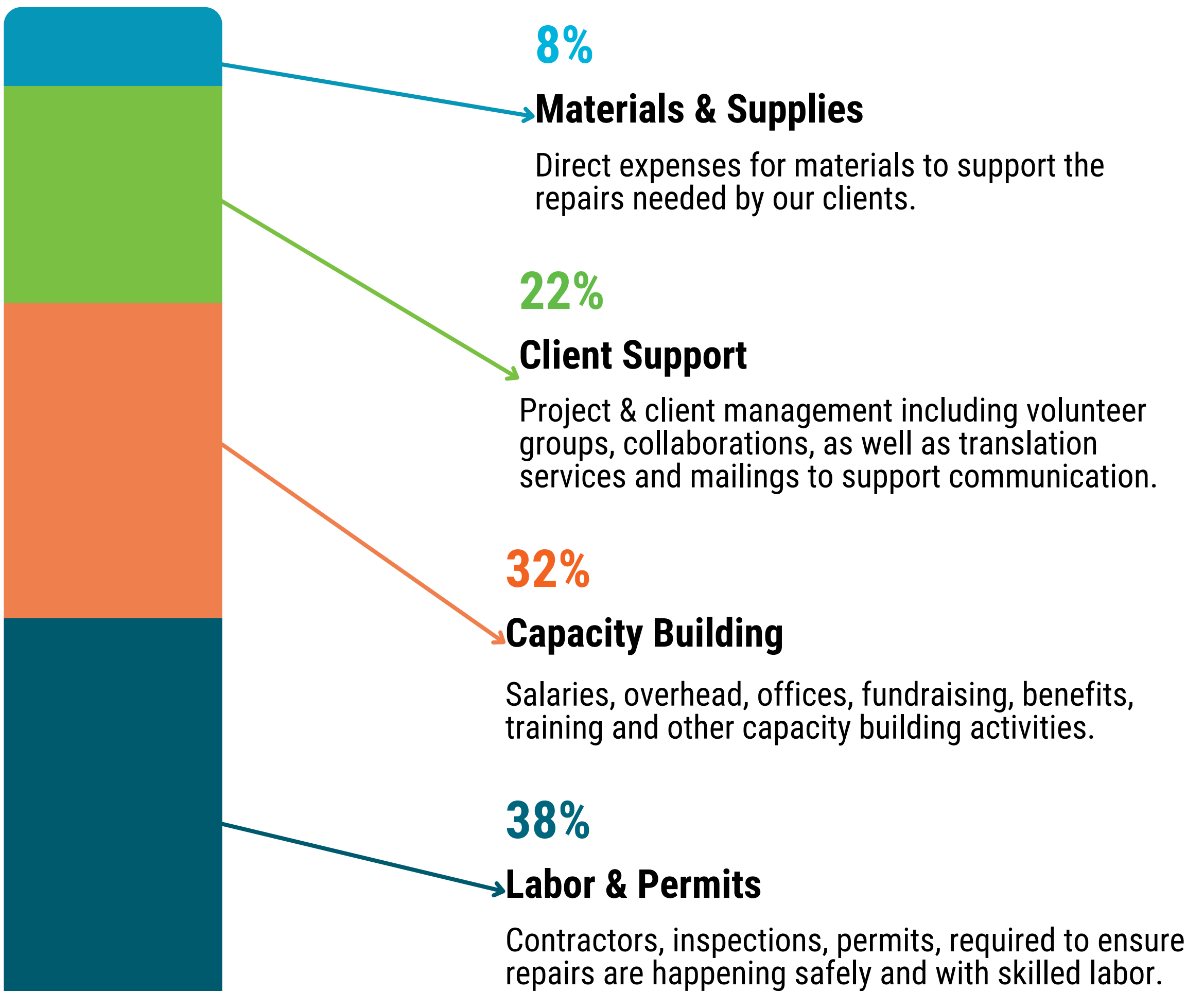
## Expenses

### Expenses

Program services	\$1,514,405
Support services	
Management and general	\$189,237
Fundraising	\$62,649

<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$1,766,291</b>
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## 2023 Portion of Expenses



*More than two-thirds of our expenses are directly linked to our continuous efforts to provide supportive services to Minnesotans in need. One-third of our budget is reinvested to enhance our impact, fairly compensate our staff, and support the strategic expansion of our services.*



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# Federal & State Government Support

\$200,000+



\$100,000 to \$199,999



- Community Homeownership Impact Fund
- Rural Capacity Building\*



\$20,000 to \$99,999



- Veterans Housing Rehabilitation and Modification Pilot Program (VHRMP)\*
- Older Adult Home Modification Grant Program (OAHMP)



- Community Homeownership Impact Fund Program



- Housing Preservation Program



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# Foundations and Corporate Support

\$100,000 to \$199,999

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\$20,000 to \$99,999



\$5,000 to \$19,999



\$1,000 to \$4,999



Up to \$999



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While there are numerous achievements to celebrate this year, we acknowledge that our work is far from complete. Too many residents in Minnesota are enduring health and safety risks in their homes that they cannot afford to remedy. Financial contributions, volunteer efforts, and support from partners are essential for providing the necessary repairs and modifications, ensuring that every Minnesotan has a safe and healthy place to call home.

We continue to advance our mission and renew our commitment to closing ownership gaps, protecting communities from gentrification, and supporting the next generation of homeowners.

**Housing takes all of us,  
working **together**, to make a  
difference.**



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