



Introducing Rapid Repairs:

Rebuilding Together Nashville expanding our impact in the neighborhoods we serve

With the financial support of The West End Home Foundation, Rebuilding Together Nashville launched our Rapid Repair services in 2024. These services focus on home repairs and renovations that cost under \$5,000. Similar to the traditional critical repairs, rapid repair services engage homeowners in determining the repairs and renovations that are needed to empower them to live in a safe and healthy environment. Our team recently completed work on our first two rapid repair homes in Bordeaux. In the first home, the contractors installed piers in the crawl space to stabilize the living room floor which had experienced weakening over the years. This allows the homeowner to maneuver safely through her home and reduces the possibility of her falling. In the second home, we focused our work on the homeowner's kitchen. Our homeowner shared that because her oven was so old, she would often start it early in the morning and leave her house to let it heat up. This created a safety risk! Our team replaced the kitchen counter and installed a new energy efficient oven and refrigerator, so the homeowner can prepare healthy meals for herself. We also replaced the door on the utility room and repaired the crawl space door on the home's exterior.



Both of the homeowners were very excited about the repairs and renovations and expressed their gratitude for the improvements our team made that they would not be able to complete on their own. The support of The West End Home Foundation empowers the older adult residents in these neighborhoods to safely age in place and retains the communal fabric of the neighborhoods. Having the ability to make these minor repairs also allows the homeowners future access to major renovations and repairs that we provide if needed.

In 2023, we invested \$600,800 to complete critical repairs and renovations located in the Bordeaux and Dickerson Pike corridor. This investment empowered 35 of our neighbors in

Nashville to safely age in place and retain the investment of home ownership. Since we began our Targeted Community Initiative in 2020, we have invested \$1.5 million into repairing and renovating 71 homes and empowering 108 residents to safely age in place and retain the investment of home ownership. According to a study by the national Rebuilding Together, for every \$1 invested in each home, there is a projected \$2.84 in social value generated through improved health, safety, independence and cost savings.



It is thanks to the support of The West End Home Foundation, that Rebuilding Together Nashville is successfully able to carry out its mission of: repairing homes, revitalizing communities, and rebuilding lives. Our work to preserve affordable housing-allowing older adults to age in place-is unique in the breadth and depth of not only the work scopes, but in our holistic approach. We work in partnership with neighborhoods to amplify our impact in not only individual homes, but entire streets and communities. While we get to know our homeowners during construction projects, we also get to know additional resources that are needed throughout the community. We are intentional about how we are able to develop community partnerships to address those other needs that impact whether a person can live safe and healthy lives in their homes. We are excited to continue this work and expand the impact for our Nashville neighbors.