

Homes on the Hill Community Development Corporation

HOTH News: ...Bringing Families Home

Upcoming Events:

- Homebuyer Workshop 1
October 8th, 5-9pm
- Homebuyer Workshop 2
October 15th, 5-9pm
- Spanish Homebuyer Workshop 1
October 13th, 9am-1pm
- Spanish Homebuyer Workshop 2
October 20th 9am-1pm
- Foreclosure Orientation
October 16th, 10am
- Foreclosure Orientation
October 29th 5pm
- Financial Fitness Workshop 1
October 20th, 9am-2pm
- Financial Fitness Workshop 2
October 27th 9am-2pm

From the Ground Up

Over the past four months there has been a lot of conversation regarding housing on the Hilltop and the creation of a greater community revitalization strategy. Leah Werner, Project Manager for the Oberer Companies has been a partner with HOTH in discussing a vision for the Hilltop, issues, resources, and points of collaboration. Additionally Ms. Werner and her team have been on the ground, going house-to-house gathering demographic information in the Central Hilltop area regard-

ing housing occupancy and ownership structure. From first-hand observation, three community meetings, and speaking with residents Ms. Werner and her team concluded that there needs to be comprehensive redevelopment. This includes removing blight, providing for economic development on West Broad Street and Sullivant Avenue, and strengthening the green movement. Moving forward, the strategic planning will be complete by this month (October), as well as strategy discussions with stake-

holders and funders. Following these steps, her team will begin implementing all of the ideas, with on-going community meetings to achieve the community's goal of revitalization and beautification of the Hilltop. HOTH is incredibly excited to be involved in this process and realize the vision of a vibrant and prosperous community.



Above: Ms. Werner Project Manger for Oberer Companies

“That Dream Home”



For many the step of becoming a homeowner is nothing short of a major life accomplishment. As with Ms. Kimberly Flynn becoming a proud homeowner is nothing less than a dream come true. Ms. Flynn first

came to Homes on the Hill in May stating her desire to become a homeowner and in particular, the homeowner of a HOTH newly rehabilitated homes. She stated: “There is one last dream I have always wanted to see come true in my life; to own my own home, by a creek, with lots of trees.” Ms. Flynn told us of her struggle with substance abuse from an early age, and how

Rachel’s House, a faith-based housing organization for female ex-offenders, assisted her in her recovery and a path to a better life. After her graduation from Rachel’s House, she became a volunteer as their Recovery Coordinator, in addition to her volunteer work in the prison as an AA Recovery 12 Step Facilitator. Due to Ms. Flynn’s dedicated work and passion to help others going through similar experiences, she recently accepted a position at Rachel’s house as a Program Director. She expressed: “I am now in that position; helping women who

have experienced the same issues I did. What a dream come true! I have an amazing relationship with my children and can empower women to want to change their lives and be reunited with their families.” Ms. Flynn explained that God is the reason why she chose a new path. “God revealed Himself to me and I surrendered my life to Him.” After taking homebuyer education classes and going through the homebuyer process for one of our homes she was given the keys and “could not stop smiling” as she walked in the door. She said: “This is MY home that I will grow old in and it’s perfect.”

Left: The “dream home” that HOTH rehabilitated and sold to Ms. Flynn.

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Our mission is to provide decent, affordable housing and housing education for low and moderate income families and to help strengthen their neighborhoods. We envision the Greater Hilltop and Southwestern Franklin County areas to have and sustain a vibrant economic and commercial environment, while increasing the homeownership and financial stability of its residents.

Homes on the Hill (HOTH) began purchasing and rehabbing property in 1996 and has successfully developed over 100 owner occupied and rental housing units. Today, the organization continues to grow and increase capacity to develop new projects in the neighborhood. HOTH also offers a HUD approved homebuyer education program, foreclosure prevention orientations, and individual counseling which are all conducted in English and Spanish.

What is the Home Repair IDA Program?

Do you need to make some home repairs? You may be eligible to receive \$2,000 in grant funds to repair your home!!!

The Home Repair IDA Programs is "designed to encourage first time homebuyers who have recently purchased a home with an OHFA (Ohio Housing Finance Agency) mortgage to continue to save money after they purchase their home." The program matches the homeowner's personal savings with grant money to help establish an emergency fund to cover emergency home repairs. To find out if you qualify and begin program enrollment, call the ECDI (Economic and Community Development Institute) at (614) 732-0571.

Homes for sale:

Coming Soon!! 248 Sturbridge Rd: 3 bed, 2 bath, 2,421 sq. ft. 261 Lennox Ave: 2 bed, 1 bath 944 sq. ft. 639 Evergreen Terrace: 3 bed, 1 bath 836 sq. ft. 431 Lawrence Ave: 3 bed, 2 bath, 1,328 sq. ft.



39 Florence Ave

- 3 Bedrooms, 1 bath
- 1,273 sq. ft. built in 1951
- New modern kitchen and fire-place
- Nice front porch and private garage
- Move-in ready, entire house has been remodeled

\$85,000



5436 Westgrove Dr.

- 3 Bedrooms, 1-1/2 bath
- 1,178 sq. ft., built in 1990
- Fully-finished basement with office and laundry room
- Move-in ready, entire house has been completely remodeled
- South-Western City Schools

\$87,500



57 Evergreen Terrace

- 3 Bedrooms, 2 baths
- 1,400 sq. ft. built in 1961
- Brand-new expanded kitchen
- Completely remodeled
- South-Western City Schools

\$92,500