

Opportunities

Connecting People and Preparation to Resources and Opportunities



Services

Front Porches

Brunswick Housing Opportunities (BHO) provides instruction and training for individuals in financial fitness, credit improvement, money management, home buying process, hiring housing professionals, access to affordable mortgages and down payment assistance. Professional, experienced, Certified Housing Counselors assist First-Time Homebuyers with preparing and obtaining mortgages to purchase homes.

Homeward Bound

Professional, experienced, Certified Housing Counselors, the Staff of BHO, provide access to workshops and trainings that include avoiding foreclosure, refinancing, maintenance, and weatherization along with do it yourself projects. The Certified Housing Counselors also work with those who are delinquent and/or facing foreclosure assistance in navigating the home retention and transition plans available with lenders.

Building the Future

BHO builds affordable, low maintenance, low energy cost, innovative, attractive, 'Green' housing. The first house was completed on May 3rd, 2013. Using precast concrete walls, allows us to build a superior yet affordable home for the Workforce of this region. Other upgrades and amenities include stone coated metal roofing systems, solar water heaters, high energy windows, hardwood floors and cabinets with hard surface counter tops, low flow plumbing, and tiled bathrooms

Home Preservation Team (HPT)

HPT is a community effort to reduce substandard housing among the very low income elderly and disabled homeowners in Brunswick County. Using teams of volunteers to provide labor with donated materials, HPT completes minor and moderate repairs to make their homes safe, habitable and improve the overall living conditions of the residents.

Green Economic Transformation through Energy (GETT-Energy)

GETT is a pilot initiative by the NC Association of CDC's to increase CDC's partnerships with various local organizations to implement a comprehensive strategy to create jobs, increase participation of minority contractors, improve housing, reduce energy consumption and achieve cost savings for low wealth families. GETT-Energy is a catalyst we use in partnership with NHC's to affect change in how energy is perceived, conserved, and used as a resource to increase income levels among working families.

Neighborhood Coalition (NHC)

Neighborhood Coalitions is funded by the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation to provide facilitation and fiscal support to grassroots organizations in **Southwestern Brunswick County**. NHC advocates and promotes citizen led community development. We work to achieved the following: (1) Identify community and individual skills/assets within each neighborhood (2) Complete a Community Asset Map (3) Using the Build an asset based plan to address concerns and needs of the community, (4) Support the community in implementing the plan (5) Leave a developed Neighborhood Association that can continue to work towards the goals and issues of that community.