

HOME Success Story Template

The HOME Coalition is preparing a national report on the broad, positive impact of HOME program. Our hope is to feature a wide range of HOME Success Stories to demonstrate how HOME has made a positive impact in rural, suburban, and urban communities across the nation. The report is slated for publication in early fall 2015 and will be distributed to Members of Congress.

As part of this effort, we would like to encourage state and local organizations to submit a HOME Success Story to be included in this publication. **Please only submit one Success Story per organization.**

To submit a Success Story, please (1) fill out and email this HOME Success Story Template and (2) a high resolution photo to **Sarah Mickelson at Enterprise Community Partners (smickelson@enterprisecommunity.org) by Friday, August 31st**. Thank you in advance for your help!

1. Contact Information

- A. Please identify a point of contact that can be published in the HOME report.
 - i. First and Last Name:
 - ii. Email Address:
 - iii. Phone Number:
 - iv. Website:
- B. Please identify a point of contact for the purposes of editing and publishing this Success Story, if different than above.
 - i. First and Last Name:
 - ii. Email Address:
 - iii. Phone Number:

2. Organization Description

Please include a short 3-6 sentence summary of your organization, its mission, the communities it serves, and its impact. Please note how your organization uses HOME funds to fulfill its mission.

3. Success Story Highlights

The HOME program is used in a number of ways to improve access to safe, decent, and affordable housing. Therefore, some of the following items may not apply to your particular Success Story. Please provide the following information, where applicable.

- A. Location (city and state):
 - i. Is this a rural community (Y or N)?
- B. Use of HOME Funds:
 - i. Homebuyer Assistance
 - ii. Homeowner Rehabilitation
 - iii. Rental Housing
 - iv. Other: _____

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- C. Total dollar amount of HOME funds used:
- D. Total project cost:
- E. Other federal sources of funding and the amounts used:
- F. Number of units built or preserved:
- G. Number of affordable units built or preserved:
- H. Other impacts:
- I. U.S. Representative:

4. Success Story Narrative

Please provide a short 4-5 paragraph summary of the Success Story and its impact.

- A. If the focus of your Success Story is an **individual/family**, you may want to include the following information, where applicable:
 - i. First and last name.
 - ii. Demographic information, if relevant (age, race, gender, veteran status, income levels, etc).
 - iii. City and State.
 - iv. A description of their previous housing conditions/situation.
 - v. A description of the affordable housing needs in this community.
 - vi. A description of the role the HOME program played in helping this individual.
 - vii. Year the individual received HOME funds.
 - viii. How your organization helped this individual.
 - ix. Other impacts.

- B. If the focus of your Success Story is a **housing development/project**, you may want to include the following information, where applicable:
 - i. Name of the development/project.
 - ii. Type of development/project.
 - iii. Location (city and state).
 - iv. A description of the affordable housing needs in this community.
 - v. A description of the role the HOME program played this development/project.
 - vi. Year the development/project received HOME funds.
 - vii. How your organization helped support this development/project.
 - viii. Other impacts.

5. High-Resolution Photo

Please submit a high-resolution photo, along with your responses to this Success Story template.

Ideally, the photo should feature **people**, not buildings, in order to put a human face on the HOME program. Possible subjects may include families who live in a housing developments financed by HOME, people who received down payment assistance with HOME funds, etc.