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Housing for New Hope News

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Two Updates

50 People, 150 Plants, 90 Minutes

In the [July newsletter](#), we wrote about the groundbreaking ceremony for Williams Square Apartments. We are happy to report that construction is on schedule and is expected to be completed by the end of January.

Williams Square is made possible by many supporters, including Trinity Avenue Presbyterian Church, which had a landscaping day—planting 150 shrubs and trees in about 90 minutes—and a Fall Festival that raised more than \$9,000 for room furnishings. Learn more about how you can help with Williams Square [on our website](#).

From: Doug Wellemeyer
To: Donovan Drake
Sent: Sunday, September 27, 2009 6:46 AM
Subject: Thank you

I hope this reaches you in time for you to share it with your congregation today, or else very soon.

Yesterday morning about 40 or more saints from Trinity Ave, along with all of the Phoenix House men, gathered under the clouds at the Williams Square construction site to serve together. Work that we thought might take 4 or 5 hours to complete was accomplished with grace and style in about 90 minutes. I've never heard "Wow!" exclaimed quite so many times...

...Speaking for Housing for New Hope, we are grateful beyond words for your big support and commitment, and endless willingness to "get out" in Durham...

Sincerely,

Doug Wellemeyer
Housing Developer
Housing for New Hope

Re-Housing Redux

In the [March newsletter](#), we informed you about the success of our Housing Support Team, to help the homeless obtain apartments and reduce the impact on publicly-funded systems. At the time, future funding for the program from the State was uncertain.

Thank you to all who responded to our request to sign a petition urging continued funding.

As a result of its demonstrated success and support, the Re-Housing Team (as it is now known) has funding through the Economic Stimulus Package to continue its work in Durham and Orange Counties.

Housing for New Hope thanks the Department of Social Services of Durham and Orange Counties, Urban Ministries of Durham, and Interfaith Council for Social Services, among others, for their close partnership in the program.



A recent photo of progress at Williams Square.

Graduation at Duke Chapel

What: Ceremony for William Hawkins Jr., Brian McLendon, and Trico Newton, honoring their graduation from the Phoenix House and Dove House, Housing for New Hope's transitional housing programs

Where: Duke Chapel

When: Sunday, November 22, at 2:30 p.m.

We thank the Congregation of Duke Chapel for hosting this important occasion and hope you can make it.

One Challenge

Thanks to you, Housing for New Hope can respond to the challenges faced by the homeless and those at risk of homelessness in our community. We are excited to announce an opportunity for your contribution to be doubled.

New and increased donations to Housing for New Hope made between now and February 28, 2010, will be matched dollar for dollar by the Stewards Fund.

We must receive no less than \$60,000 in new and

increased donations by February 28, in order to receive the matching grant from the Stewards Fund.

You can donate to Housing for New Hope in two ways: you can make a secure online donation [here](#), or you can mail your donation to:

Housing for New Hope
18 West Colony Place, Suite 250
Durham, NC 27705.

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