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1969

**SCRUB gets to work.** Hurricane Camille devastates central Virginia, and a group of UVA students create Project SCRUB to help with the massive community clean-up effort. SCRUB keeps working into the early 1970s, helping neighbors with home repairs.

1974

**CHIP comes first.** SCRUB evolves into Charlottesville Housing Improvement Program (CHIP), incubated within the Charlottesville Housing Foundation and housed within Madison House. The CHIP board will create AHIP just a few years later to focus on county households.

July 18, 1976

**AHIP is born.** AHIP officially incorporates, at first sharing staff and its board of directors with CHIP, its sister organization. In our first year, AHIP helps 30 Albemarle households.

1980-1982

**Bishop Hill goes up.** Bishop Hill, a cooperative, "sweat-equity" build effort in eastern Albemarle County near Ashlawn-Highland and funded through USDA, houses seven first-time homeowners.

1981

**AHIP goes to jail.** AHIP moves from Madison House to a two-room office within the Albemarle County-owned "Jailer's House," located adjacent to Court Square.

1983

**The feds jump in.** AHIP secures its first Community Development Block Grant, ushering in a new era of federal and state government investment in local housing rehab.

1987

**Home repair meets 911.** AHIP launches its Emergency Repair Program in order to continue to meet smaller critical repair housing needs.

1989

**Lottie is the model.** Lottie Orange becomes our first client to benefit from a community-wide effort of volunteers, private donations, in-kind materials, and state funds, allowing AHIP to replace her home for \$20,000. Costs to repair the crumbling structure would have exceeded \$50,000.

1991

**Homeownership boomlet hits Crozet.** AHIP partners with the Charlottesville Housing Foundation to find, qualify, and sell new homes to 24 low- to moderate-income first-time homeowners in a new neighborhood called Crozet Crossings. The Foundation built the homes using CDBG and Albemarle County funds.

1995

**AHIP goes to town.** CHIP closes; AHIP expands its services into Charlottesville and moves into the Silk Mill Building on Harris Street. This year, AHIP completes 64 jobs and employs 12 program and crew staff.

1998-2000

**AHIP takes stock.** AHIP launches its Scattered-site Program to increase the affordable rental stock and increase homeownership, building or renovating seven affordable homes in rural Albemarle and four in Charlottesville for rentals, ownership, or rent-to-own.

1998

**AHIP heads uptown.** AHIP moves to its current location on Berkmar Drive, employing 19 full-time staff.



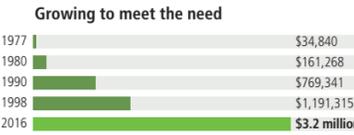
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> AHIP has honed its programmatic approach and its budget to keep more neighbors safe at home.



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2001-2003

**Esmont gets greener.** AHIP builds Camp Springs, a six-house subdivision of ultra-energy-efficient homes, featuring Insulated Concrete Form (ICF) construction; high-efficiency windows, HVAC systems and appliances; and underground rainwater collection systems. This three-year CDBG project also tackles rehabs and constructs a community center in the Porter's Road neighborhood.

2003

**"Safe at Home" is for renters, too.** AHIP preserves and transforms Park's Edge, home to 96 families, which would have been sold off for condos or market-rate rentals. In partnership with Albemarle County and Virginia Community Development Corporation, AHIP renovates all six buildings and builds a new community center for Park's Edge families.

2007

**Heroes save the day.** AHIP honors Ed and Tracey Scharer with the inaugural Housing Hero Award. The Scharers deeded a portion of their property to the suddenly homeless, elderly Smith family so that AHIP could build them a new house.

2009

**Treesdale ends the drought.** AHIP and Pinnacle Construction & Development Corporation join forces to develop Treesdale Park, 88 units of EarthCraft-certified, brand-new affordable rental housing on East Rio Road. Treesdale, which will open in 2012, is the first multifamily non-elderly affordable housing community built in Albemarle in 15 years.

2009

**If it's broke, fix it.** AHIP sets its course for the future that will focus on achieving the vision that all families in Charlottesville and Albemarle will be safe at home.

2010

**AHIP's big green leap.** AHIP and LEAP launch a partnership to bring energy-efficiency upgrades to city homeowners, lowering utility bills, increasing housing health, and reducing Charlottesville's carbon footprint. In 2015, AHIP and LEAP will expand into Albemarle.

2010

**Neighbors rush in.** Federal and state budget cuts decimate rehab funding as local need spikes. Local donors, volunteers, and municipalities respond by generously investing in our cause. The next seven years will see a dramatic rise in private and municipal funds and in the number of families AHIP is able to help.

2011

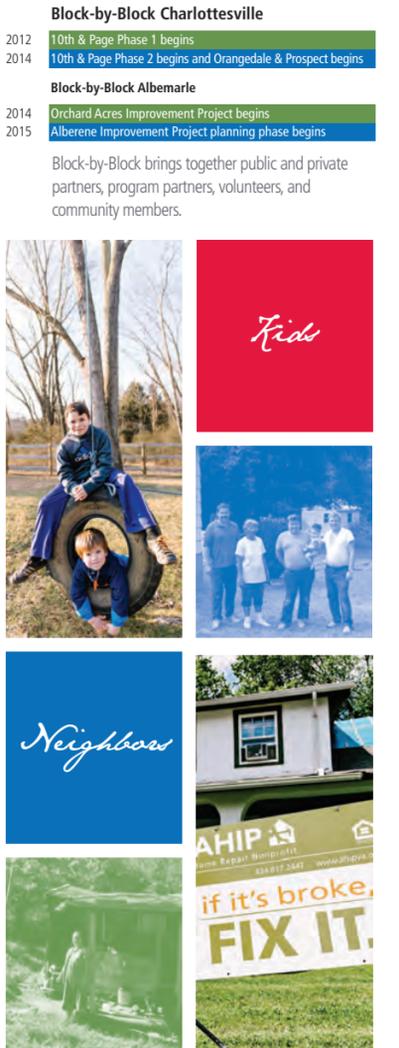
**Block-by-Block shapes up.** AHIP launches its target-area approach, tackling whole neighborhoods in order to amplify impact, protect residential diversity, and leverage public-private investment.

2015

**10th & Page takes the prize.** AHIP and the city of Charlottesville win a prestigious statewide Virginia Housing Award for "Best Preservation/Revitalization Effort." The award honors the collaborative success of Block-by-Block Charlottesville in the 10th & Page neighborhood.

2016

**AHIP turns 40!** AHIP and our partners celebrate a four-decade journey—shepherded by hundreds of dedicated staff members, board members, volunteers, interns, service providers, local businesses, local government officials, and contributors. All are champions of this simple but powerful belief: that everyone should be safe at home. This year, AHIP helps 152 families in Charlottesville and Albemarle.



**Block-by-Block Charlottesville**

2012 10th & Page Phase 1 begins  
2014 10th & Page Phase 2 begins and Orangedale & Prospect begins

**Block-by-Block Albemarle**

2014 Orchard Acres Improvement Project begins  
2015 Alberene Improvement Project planning phase begins

Block-by-Block brings together public and private partners, program partners, volunteers, and community members.

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