

# Olmsted County 2024 Program Outcomes

## Household Demographics

- **3,035** households served
- **47%** fell at or below the poverty line
- **63%** were renters
- **\$29,192** median income\*

*\* of those that reported income*

## Individual Demographics

- **9,014** individuals served
- **42%** were children
- **15%** were older adults
- **46%** were BIPOC community members
- **16%** reported a disability
- **11%** were Hispanic or Latino

## Program Outcomes

### Housing Development

- Own and operate 11 units of rental housing in Rochester
- Coming soon - two new developments: Restoration Glen-48 units, Trotter Haven-36 units

### Homeless Assistance and Prevention

- Prevented 165 households from homelessness, including 158 children, with \$506,770 of support

### Homework Starts With Home Program

- Assisted 17 families with stable housing through our collaboration with Olmsted County and Rochester Public Schools

### Energy Assistance Program

- Provided 2,803 households with over \$1,254,588 to help with utility cost burden, and supported an additional 1,034 households with \$443,094 in crisis funding.
- Hired local contractors for 61 emergency repairs

### Achieve Homeownership

- Provided 165 households with homebuyer education, one on one advising, mentorship opportunities and down payment assistance
- 80% of households enrolled in this program were BIPOC families

## Program Highlight

Three Rivers is partnering with Bear Creek Development to build new affordable apartments in Rochester. With significant local, state and private investment, Restoration Glen will provide 48 new 1-, 2-, 3-, and 4-bedroom units. The project features underground parking, outdoor playground, and large community room. The project will serve households with low- and moderate-incomes. A portion of the units will serve people who have experienced housing instability and people living with a disability, and onsite services will be available

## Story of Impact-Chandra's Story

Chandra was the first in her family to graduate from college - she became a nurse. As the most successful person in her family, it often fell to her to provide financial support to others. This made it difficult to save for her own future. When she enrolled in the Achieve Homeownership Program, her advisor knew exactly what Chandra needed to do to make her dream of homeownership possible and was by her side every step of the way. Through access to financial education and meeting with an advisor monthly, her hard work paid off again and she was able to also be the first person in her family to achieve homeownership.

Now, Chandra's house isn't just a home for her and her two young children—it's a place where her entire family can gather for barbecues and celebrations, creating memories in a space she worked so hard to achieve.



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## History

Three Rivers Community Action is a nonprofit human service organization incorporated in 1966. Created by community leaders to provide citizens and communities in southern Minnesota with anti-poverty strategies, the Three Rivers mission is ***"to work with community partners to address the basic human needs of people in our service area, thereby improving the quality of life of the individual, family and community."***

As a regional human services provider, Three Rivers long worked in partnership with Olmsted CAP to meet the needs of Olmsted County residents and communities. In July 2013, the two agencies merged in order to streamline services and increase leverage opportunities. Operating under the existing name of Three Rivers Community Action, the merged entity continues to provide core services in the county while exploring new opportunities for deepening the impact on low-income households working their way out of poverty.

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# Olmsted County Programs

## Housing Development

### New Construction and Preservation

- Working with community partners to plan and develop new affordable rental and owner-occupied projects that meet local needs and to rehabilitate and preserve existing rental and ownership housing stock.

## Asset Building

### Achieve Homeownership

- An array of homeownership services for households on the path to homeownership, including financial literacy and empowerment coaching, homebuyer education classes, individual pre-purchase counseling and post-purchase education, and a BIPOC Mentorship Program. Services are provided in multiple languages.

### Downpayment and Closing Cost Assistance Programs

- Loan programs to assist income-eligible households enter homeownership

### Family Assets for Independence in Minnesota (FAIM)

- Matched savings program that helps people with low incomes build financial assets through the purchase of a home, pursuit of post-secondary education or launch of a small business

## Participant Services

### Homeless Assistance and Prevention Programs

- Assistance and support to individuals and families who are experiencing or nearing homelessness

### Energy Assistance Program

- Federal program that helps supplement home heating costs and provides emergency furnace repairs for income-qualified households.

### SNAP Outreach & Assistance

- Shares information about the federal Supplement Nutrition Assistance Program and helps households complete applications for food assistance.

### Auto Repair

- Provides motor vehicle repairs to assist eligible individuals to obtain or maintain employment and connects individuals to other essential services

## Community Collaboration

### Homeless Community Network

- Coordination of inter-agency team to identify and address the needs of people experiencing homelessness in Olmsted County.