Since the Community Housing Coalition (CHC) of Madison County began its work in 2001 addressing critical housing needs of low-income families in our community, we have greatly expanded our reach and ability to serve those in need.

We now recruit, train and coordinate over 1,000 volunteers annually to provide no-cost major home repairs to low-income households, leveraging those resources with state and federal program grants, and generous donations from individuals, local churches, businesses and civic organizations.

Our Neighbors Helping Neighbors (NHN) Local Volunteer program utilizes the power of community members for year-round home repair Saturday work projects. It now includes follow-up days and some week-long roofing projects. The NHN Summer Volunteer Program brings together youth from all over the country for week-long home repair projects, generating enormous goodwill in the community and growth opportunities for these energetic young people. All of our work builds community through volunteer and client engagement as we work – together – to help solve the Madison County housing crisis.

This past year has been a year of positive transition as we evolve into an organization that can better serve our community – from developing the capacity of our dedicated team, to the opening and operation of ReClaim Madison, a salvage and hardware retail store that generates sustainable funding for our programs.

We are proud of the impact we are able to make in Madison County, and forever grateful for the amazing support of our community!

Chris Watson, Director
Community Housing Coalition of Madison County
CHC 2019 IMPACT

CHC's Work in the Community in Past Year

111 Individuals served by CHC home rehabilitation efforts
68 Homes repaired
54 Homes served through NHN – 15 through Local Volunteer and 39 by Summer Mission Groups
14 Homes served by grants alone
30 Accessibility improvements for elderly and disabled folks, such as wheelchair ramps, flooring and deck repairs, and bathroom remodels
13 Roofs replaced
3 Well and septic systems installed or repaired

The Need Is Great and Growing

137 Madison County families currently awaiting CHC assistance, including:
68 New applications in 2019
37 Homes that need roof replacements
46 Homes that need accessibility improvements
9 Homes that have well and septic systems in need of repair or replacement

2019 Neighbors Helping Neighbors (NHN) Local Volunteer Program Impact

$17,526.25 Total value of in-kind donations
$13,526.25 Value of in-kind labor ($15/hr)
$ 4,000.00 In-kind material donations
1134.5 In-kind labor hours
127 Total Individual Volunteers
16 Total Client Volunteers

2019 NHN Summer Mission Group Annual Impact and Investment

$201,153.00 Total value of in-kind donations
$153,825.00 Value of in-kind labor ($15/hr)
$ 47,328.00 In-kind material donations
10,255 In-kind labor hours
1357 Total Individual Volunteers
28 Total Client Volunteers
$540,403.00 Total value of Summer Group activity in Madison County in 2019
$339,250.00 Volunteer economic activity to buy food, fuel, housing, recreation (# Vols x $250)
$ 5,158.00 Avg investment/client: in-kind labor + in-kind materials / homes served (39)

2019 Program Grants Impact

NC Housing Finance Agency Urgent Repair Program to mitigate conditions posing threat to life or safety
* Served 30 homes and 68 individuals with a total of $100,000
HOME Investment Partnership Program/ Essential Single-Family Rehabilitation Loan Pool
* Served 4 homes and 8 individuals with a total of $126,784
The average CHC client has at least three major home repair needs.

Two thirds of our clients are seniors and about one third are disabled.

All are living on very limited incomes, most considered very-low income.*

* HUD defined