

Final Outcome Report  
For  
**LifeBUILDERS**

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**1. Project Results Summary:**

As a result of the Neighborhood Enhancement Program (NEP) in the Regent Park Community, eight homeowners were assisted with needed repairs to their porches, walkways, and/or driveways.

**2. What indicators were used to measure results?**

We do not have any hard data to measure our results against, such as an increase in home values.

All of the work completed through the NEP grant corrected safety hazards for the homeowners that they could not afford to repair on their own. Two porches had been patched repeatedly, two porches had bricks that had lost all the mortar to hold them in place, another porch had been patched so many times; the homeowner painted it to hide the old patch work, another homeowner had severely rusted rails, and a homeowner had a crater size hole in her driveway.

**3. How were the indicators measured?**

As stated above, this grant did not use hard data to measure results. After inspecting the homes for repairs, we discovered that most had unsafe porches, walkways, or driveways. The NEP grant was used to address the unsafe conditions found at the properties.

4. **What were the findings of the measurements including baseline data?**

With the completion of the work at the homes, resulted in porches, walkways, and/or driveways being made safe. Improving the quality of life for the homeowners and the safety and appearance of their properties in the community.

5. **What lessons were learned?**

Working with MSHDA, the homeowners, and the contractors was a great experience. We gained some new, lasting relationships with people in the community that did not know about our work. Working on this grant also gave us greater insight about the challenges that homeowners face. Oftentimes, programs are geared towards young parents with children, there aren't too many resources for older couples, the working poor, or adults with no children. This grant has helped turn us into advocates for the people that may not qualify for traditional help. Being out in the community more, gave us more vision to address other challenges in our community.