

# Southside Outreach Group

Since its incorporation in 1996, the Southside Outreach Group (SOG), a non-profit agency has been dedicated to assisting income-eligible individuals in Halifax County, VA, and surrounding communities in accessing affordable, safe, decent, and sanitary housing. With the help of Rural Capacity Building and Technical Assistance from the Housing Assistance Council, the organization has been able to develop and implement impactful programs that help families and individuals in need. These efforts have led to significant positive outcomes for the community, including 35 families becoming homeowners, many more being able to make necessary repairs to their homes, and others finding quality affordable rental units. In addition to Southside's dedicated staff, the technical assistance provided has played a crucial role in helping the organization achieve its mission and improve the quality of life for low-income families in the area.



**HAC**

Housing Assistance Council



*Proud owners of a 3-bedroom, 1 bathroom home in the Town of South Boston, VA.*

# Adults and Youth United Development Association

For thirty years, the Adults and Youth United Development Association (AYUDA) has been working towards improving housing conditions and increasing access to public services in the colonias located in and around San Elizario, Texas. As AYUDA expanded, it sought support from the Housing Assistance Council (HAC). With the use of RCB funding, AYUDA received technical assistance from HAC staff, who helped AYUDA overcome the challenges of managing new and expanded housing programs. With HAC's guidance, AYUDA has successfully developed effective housing programs. In part, due to technical assistance and training aimed at increasing the organization's development capacity as part of HAC's RCB program, AYUDA has developed over 200 affordable housing units in San Elizario and the surrounding colonias, primarily through the reconstruction and rehabilitation of substandard homeowner units for low-income families. These housing programs were made possible through investments from many sources including HOME, the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, USDA Rural Development, and HAC.



*Receiving keys to their new home in San Elizario, TX.*