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Housing History Fun Fact No. 8



In the fall of 1978, NHS of Baltimore received a \$97,000 grant from the Ford Foundation to continue its rehab program for low income, owner-occupied homes. At this time, NHS of Baltimore was only 4 years old and its rehab program was just beginning to blossom. The organization's rehab program continues to a be major hub of service to this day, boasting 80 rehabbed homes a year and creating more than \$350 million in spin-off reinvestment for Baltimore over the last 35 years. Every gift received has made it possible for NHS of Baltimore to



**In 2009, it is estimated that
55,693 Maryland families
were at risk of losing their
homes.**

**In 2010, YOU can make a
difference in the Baltimore
community.**

Do You Know Ms. Jones?



continue to offer quality, trusted services.

Thanks for Your Support!



We extend our sincerest gratitude to all the individuals who contributed to NHS of Baltimore last year. Your support continues to be a cornerstone for our programs and services.

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She goes to work everyday at a full-time job she has held for 10 years. She works hard to provide for her children and make a life for them that is comfortable and safe. She has been saving so that one day they may be able to move into a larger home.



Mrs. Jones was laid off in January.

She spent three months trying to find work, any work, while her savings was depleted. By April she had found two part-time jobs and began working around the clock to try and make ends meet. It still was not enough. By June her phone had been cut off, she was late on her electric bills and she struggled to feed her family.

By August she was losing her home.

Mrs. Jones is not a statistic, she is a mother, a friend, a coworker, and perhaps you've met her. Perhaps you have a Mrs. Jones at your office that was laid off, maybe she is your neighbor down the street, or her kids play with yours. We all know a Mrs. Jones and we can help.

Your support will allow NHS of Baltimore to provide families like the Jones' the help they need to get back on their feet. We are all in this together and with your support, we can combat these tough times and come out stronger.

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As Anne Frank Once Put it, "No One Has Ever Become Poor By Giving",

By: Jessica Schmidt- Bonifant, Philanthropy Manager



"Think of giving not as a duty but as a privilege." That's how John Rockefeller viewed giving, and it certainly rings true in these challenging times. Many of us have felt the effects of the economy first hand whether our paychecks have been reduced, our investments depleted, or our home values decreased. We all have less and less disposable income to take care of the many needs piling up on our plates- especially this time of year when we have gifts to buy, food to make and traveling to do, on top of the appeal letters that arrive at our doorsteps. It is easy just to add the letter to the stack of recycling in the corner and think "Not this year, there is just too much". [Read More...](#)

NHS Welcomes Back Patricia Hull

Pat will serve NHS as our new Education Manager. Her dedication to helping people achieve successful homeownership is a valuable asset to the organization and we are pleased to have her back.



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