

BUNCOMBE COUNTY COVID RECOVERY FUNDING

Project Spotlight



To promote a strong and equitable recovery from COVID-19 and its negative economic impacts, Buncombe County invested federal funds into projects like this one.

Project	Permanent Supportive Housing Expansion
Lead Organization	
Award Amount	\$3,195,000
Project Dates	August 2021 – January 2024
Impact Area	Housing Support: Services for Unhoused Persons

How the Funds Were Used

Homeward Bound of WNC, Inc. provided housing support services for unhoused persons through their Permanent Supportive Housing Expansion project. The project supported the acquisition of a motel that was then renovated into 85 affordable housing efficiency units to serve the chronically homeless in our community. In addition to the housing efficiency units, the facility includes office space for case managers and program staff, as well as community partners that deliver onsite supportive services for residents. On-site program activities provide individualized, supportive services focused on housing stabilization, independence, and improving quality of life for residents. Facility renovations were completed in September 2023 and as of April 2024, 81 units are occupied.

Results

- **85** housing units renovated
- **81** housing units occupied as of April 2024

"Buncombe County's award of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds was instrumental in the transformation of a former motel property into Homeward Bound's Compass Point Village, an 85-unit permanent supportive housing community with comprehensive supportive services for our community's most vulnerable neighbors. The realization of this project demonstrates that chronic homelessness is a solvable challenge and that collaborative efforts are essential to preventing and ending homelessness."

**Crystal Snover, Grants Director
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