

Faces Behind the Funding

About the Recipients

Melissa Anderson is a single mom to her two children Alex, 16, and Bree, 9. Melissa is a graphic designer, she enjoys designing menus, signs, pamphlets and billboards. She loves to work in the yard doing landscaping and gardening. Alex likes to hunt, fish and work on cars. Bree spends her time reading, drawing, coloring and playing with her cats.



For more than eight years, Melissa and her family lived in a cute cottage style home built in 1905. The house was falling down around them; the bathroom was falling through the floor, the cabinets in the kitchen were falling off the wall and being a single mother she was unable to keep up with all the repairs. Not only was the house falling in, there was lead-based paint throughout the home. While Melissa and her children were sad about seeing their little cottage torn down, the home was beyond repair. A grant from the HOME program gave Melissa enough money to build a safe, secure and adorable new three-bedroom and one bath home.

"I have always struggled on my own to make ends meet and try to keep the house safe for my children," said Melissa. "I was so excited to find out that I was going to get some help. What a relief it has been for me. Patience and prayers really do pay off!"

About the HOME Program

THDA administers the federally funded HOME Program to promote the production, preservation and rehabilitation of housing for low income households. HOME Grants are awarded annually through a competitive application process to cities, counties and non-profit organizations outside the local participating jurisdictions. Community housing development organizations (CHDOs) are eligible to apply for THDA HOME Grants, only if the proposed project is outside most HOME local participating jurisdictions.



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Family

THDA Program

HOME Program Grant

Location

White Bluff, Tennessee
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