

Community Foundation
for Greater Buffalo

The Community Foundation and The Green & Healthy Homes Initiative



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Our Mission

Connecting people, ideas and resources
to improve lives in Western New York



Four Community Goals



Goal I: Improve educational achievement for students living in low-income households



Goal II: Increase racial and ethnic equity



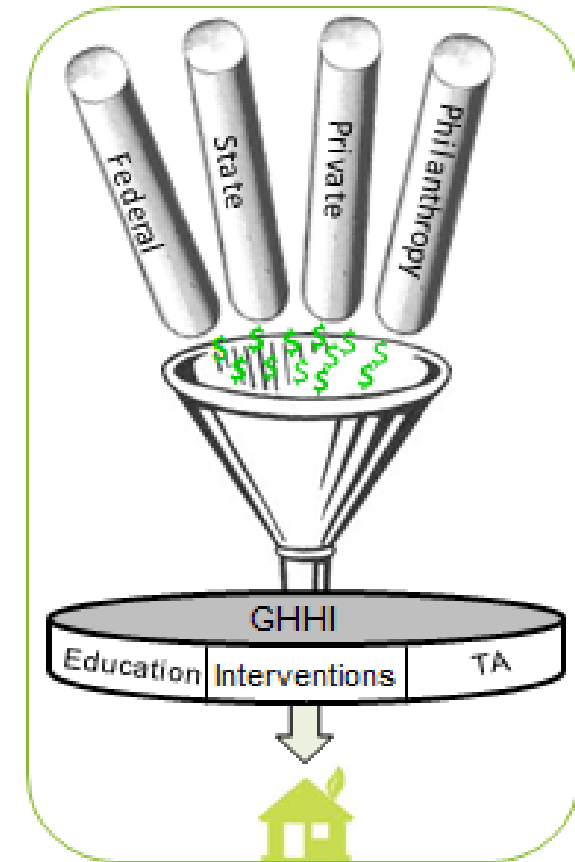
Goal III: Enhance and leverage significant natural resources



Goal IV: Strengthen the region as a center for architecture, arts, and culture

GHHI Principles

- Replace silos with collective action
- Build on current activities
- Streamline process
- Build a lasting system for coordination



Florine's Story



Liz's Story



What GHHI Looks Like: Liz's Story



Braided Funding: An Example

Source	Amount	Measures Covered
Affordable Housing Corporation	\$21,100	60% of the costs associated with roof, siding, windows, gutters, insulation, dryer vent etc.
NY Homes & Community Renewal	\$9,400	40% of the costs of items above
CFGB: GHHI Energy Efficiency	\$4,750	100% of heater replacement
Subtotal	\$35,250	
NYSERDA	\$250	Energy audit
Total value	\$35,500	



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93% of housing units built in
1978 or earlier





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Buffalo ranks **2nd** for most expensive places to heat a home, while **40%** of residents live below poverty line.





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9 zip codes designated as
“communities of concern” for high risk
lead poisoning





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Children from neighborhoods of color are **12x** as likely as children in predominantly white neighborhoods to test for elevated levels of lead in their blood



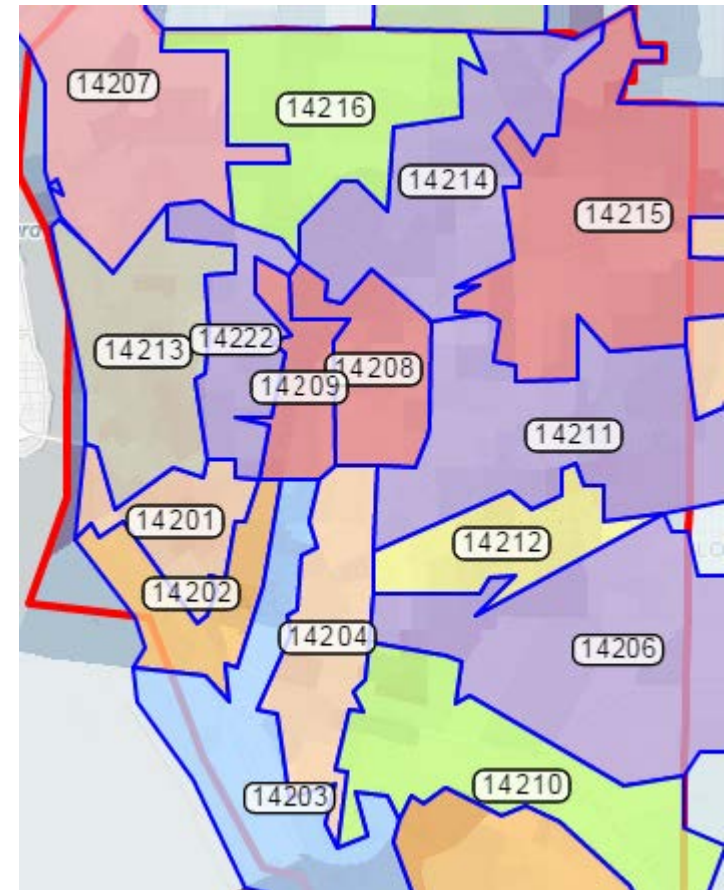
Evidence of Success City-Wide



Buffalo Zip Code	Number of Units	Percentage
14201	34	8.4%
14207	19	4.7%
14208	10	2.5%
14211	33	8.2%
14212	26	6.5%
14213	85	21.1%
14215	56	13.9%

Targeted zip codes also designated as
“communities of concern” for high risk
lead poisoning in Buffalo

City of Buffalo Zip Code Map



The Partnership



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Neighborhood Housing Services
of South Buffalo, Inc.



West Side & Black Rock-Riverside
Neighborhood Housing Services



GHHI Production Period



- **2011-** The Community Foundation houses the first GHHI coordinator and begins funding whole house interventions
- **2012-** The Community Foundation begins a workforce development program with formally incarcerated individuals
- **2013-** Belmont takes over GHHI Coordination
- **2014-** Heart of the City takes over GHHI Coordination



Funding Streams



GHHI Now

- FERA Internal Evaluation
- Situation Analysis



Flint, MI Water Crisis

- Flint, Michigan water crisis becomes national news



Healthy Homes Policies



- WNY Coalition to End Lead Poisoning reconvened
- Major changes to lead policy
 - City
 - County
 - State
 - Federal



What's Next?

- NYSERDA Convening
- Lead Action Plan (August 2017)
- NYSERDA & GHHI National Feasibility Study
- Advocate for additional funding





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Questions?
