



February 15, 2025

Ms. Angela Beeker
Mr. John Connet
City of Hendersonville
160 6th Avenue East
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Dear Angela & John,

Congratulations! On behalf of Carolina Across 100, I am pleased to inform you that your team from the City of Hendersonville has been selected to participate in the Our State, Our Homes program, an 18-month collaborative learning model focused on improving access to and availability of affordable housing in North Carolina. The program dates are January 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026.



Carolina Across 100 has committed the following to the Jackson County team as part of its selection to Our State, Our Wellbeing:

- Invitation to participate in four in-person forums in Chapel Hill in February, May, September, and December 2025 and March 2026;
- Funding of up to \$17,000 to be distributed as follows, subject to timely receipt of required payment documentation:
 - Travel reimbursements of up to \$7,000 to cover costs for up to four team members to attend each of the forums, including transportation and lodging, to be paid as expenses are incurred;
 - \$5,000 to provide a stipend for a part-time project manager, to be paid by March 31, 2025;
 - Up to \$5,000 for pilot project implementation expenses, to be paid at the midpoint of the program following submission of a brief project proposal; and
- In-kind support through technical assistance, coaching, and evidence-based resources.

In exchange, the City of Hendersonville team has committed to the following:

- Contributing a committed team representing multiple agencies, jurisdictions, and/or organizations to devote time and effort to this work;
- Developing a cogent strategy to leverage existing assets and activities; increase the availability, quality, and alignment of community resources for affordable housing; and address barriers to meeting community housing needs, especially for higher-risk subpopulations;
- Ensuring that at least four team members, including a project manager, attend each of the five forums; and
- Meeting at least monthly in the community to complete activities related to the program.



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Funds provided to the City of Hendersonville team from Our State, Our Homes will be paid to City of Hendersonville through the UNC School of Government. Teams may be eligible in the future to receive additional awards for travel or project implementation, subject to need and the availability of additional funds.

Thank you again for your application and commitment to Our State, Our Homes and for all your efforts to address housing needs in your community.

Best,

Michael Welker
Director of Policy and Research Partnerships, nclIMPACT