The Neighborhood Developers (TND) knows that Home is the Heart of Health. A safe, affordable and healthy home provides the platform an individual or family needs to succeed at school, work and in the community.

MEET JAKELYN

Before moving into a TND home, Jakelyn lived in an apartment that her mother grew up in too. “I’d always have a lot of bite marks on my hands and arms. And people’d always ask, ‘What is this?’ And I would say, they’re just bed bugs. Because, I don’t know, I just thought it was normal.” The apartment had lead, the roof leaked, and her brother’s asthma worsened there. In their TND home, the family has three bedrooms. “When we first saw the place it was overwhelming. We could run around. We’re appreciative, grateful for living in a TND property.”

$10,000 from East Cambridge Savings Bank will support TND to assist low-income households in housing stabilization programs like these:

HOUSING OUTCOMES

- > half income to housing: Baseline 67.4%, 6 Months 56.5%
- Unable to pay rent in last year: Baseline 58.7%, 6 Months 45.7%
- Moved +2 times: Baseline 21.7%, 6 Months 8.7%
- Expect to live in same place in 6 months: Baseline 63.0%

HEALTH OUTCOMES

- Food Insecure: Baseline 50.0%, 6 Months 19.6%
- Child Fair/Poor Health: Baseline 28.2%, 6 Months 17.3%
- Positive PHQ2 (Depression): Baseline 47.8%, 6 Months 23.9%
- High/Moderate PSC: Baseline 52.4%, 6 Months 13.6%

Results from a collaboration at CONNECT outlined to the left!

COLLABORATING PARTNERS

TND Builds and Maintains Homes
1250 residents in 429 apartments for seniors, formerly homeless families, and veterans, and low-income households.
TND will build 400 new homes by 2025 for families like Jakelyn’s.

At CONNECT, TND together with MGH and Metro Housing Boston Collaborate to Prevent Homelessness.
MGH screens its patients for housing instability and makes referrals to CONNECT. 120 families have been served.
Within six months, housing and health indicators show marked improvement. These results are holding at 12 and 18 months.

See the results to the right.