

As a faith-based organization, our mission is to create vibrant communities where low and moderate income families can thrive, prosper and build wealth through homeownership.

- In the five years since our formation, SJHI has renovated and sold 12 houses to first-time homebuyer families of low to moderate income. SJHI currently has 4 more houses under renovation. Prior to renovations, 14 of these houses were vacant and problem properties.
- SJHI has expanded it's footprint to include the **Dutchtown**, **Carondelet** and **Baden** neighborhoods.
- All SJHI Homebuyers receive the Homebuyer Support Program including:
 1.) In-depth homebuyer education 2.) \$5000 of down payment assistance in the form of a 5-year forgivable loan 3.) Extensive renovations, including all major structural components and systems, cosmetic updates, all new appliances, and fresh landscaping 4.) Home warranty 5.) Ring Doorbell 6.) Visit to Home Sweet Home for home furnishings 7.) Ongoing fellowship and support from SJHI First Neighbors.
- SJHI has a **Homebuyer Education Program**, created in collaboration with Prosperity Connection . **The Homeowner Readiness Academy** is a series of in-depth classes including: Creating Your Spending Plan, Understanding Credit/Using Credit Cards Wisely, The Homebuying Process, and Home Maintenance/Being a Good Neighbor. The classes are offered in English and Spanish.
- SJHI is a recipient of the St. Louis Bar Association's **Spirit of Justice Award** (2021) and Focus St. Louis's **What's Right with the Region Award** (2022). In 2023, SJHI received Legal Services of Eastern Missouri's **2023 Eddie Mae Binion Community Service Award** for outstanding dedication and service to the community.
- Over 5 years, **SJHI has engaged over 300 volunteers** across 187+ projects for a combined total of 5,257 volunteer hours serving three main areas: home centered projects, community centered projects, and fundraising.
- SJHI has formed an SJHI Young Friends group and SJHI Youth Volunteers group.
- SJHI has secured grants from the following funders: Incarnate Word Foundation, Light a Single Candle Foundation, Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, US Bank, Ameren, Home Builders Association, Lutheran Foundation of St. Louis, The Brown Sisters Foundation, NISA Charitable Fund, St. Martha's Giving Circle, Wells Fargo, Oikos Group/Ecumenical Housing Collaborative (Hearts, Hands & Homes) and 3 anonymous grants.
- SJHI has established community partnerships: Neighborhood Vacancy Initiative, Home Sweet Home, Prosperity Connection, St. Louis Builds Credit Alliance, Beyond Housing, Dutchtown South Community Corporation, Lutheran Development Corp., Dutchtown Main Streets, TGNCDC, Dream Builders for Equity, Cure Violence/Employment Connection, Gene and Joan Slay's Girls and Boys Club, LifeWise, Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, and the Oikos Group/Ecumenical Housing Collaborative (Hearts, Hands and Homes).
- SJHI's partners in Faith: the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, St. Mary's High School, Lutheran Foundation of St. Louis, First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood, Our Lady of Lourdes, and several Catholic parishes including St. Cecilia, St. Anthony of Padua, St. John the Baptist, St. Stephen Protomartyr, and St. Margaret of Scotland.
- SJHI remains fully funded by grants and donations.



Our Homes

DUTCHTOWN/CARONDELET

Completed Homes and Properties in Progress













































Baden Properties in Progress

