## Rebuilding Together Pittsburgh Program:

# Safe & Healthy Homes

### Providing critical safety and health improvements for low-income homeowners

Rebuilding Together Pittsburgh offers free home repairs to income-qualifying homeowners—including seniors, veterans, and people with disabilities—to make their homes safer and healthier. These improvements are about more than ramps and grab bars. They are about fall prevention—70% of RTP projects include repairs to prevent falls. They also are about moisture remediation to help control asthma; Pittsburgh has one of the highest asthma rates in the country. Allegheny County homes are statistically likely to have radon counts above the EPA-recommended action level, and 75% of RTP projects include radon testing.

# Amplifying community impact through concentrated renovations

Much of the work of RTP's Safe & Healthy Homes program is focused on Impact Neighborhoods. These communities experience varied stressors from population loss to divestment in homeownership to residential development forcing property values out of reach for long-time low-income

residents. These factors are compounded in communities of color from decades of discriminatory development methods, redlining, and displacement practices. By leveraging government, corporate, and philanthropic investments with sub-contractor and volunteer labor, RTP completes dozens of home repairs in a concentrated geography. These repairs often lead to additional improvements by adjacent homeowners. Taken together, these improvements change the nature of entire blocks, and have a significant positive impact on housing values, creating new homeowner equity—often for the first time in a generation.

#### A one-of-a-kind resource for low-income homeowners

Rebuilding Together Pittsburgh is the only nonprofit in the region offering critical home repairs, accessibility modifications, and energy-efficient upgrades to incomequalified homeowners so they can remain in a safe and healthy home.

#### RTP: your place for safe & healthy homes



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