2019 HIGHLIGHTS

BUILD WEALTH

13 first homes purchased
17 foreclosure customers reached positive mortgage outcomes
55 average credit score points increased
118 housing certificates earned, enabling lower mortgage interest rates
146 customers established a sustainable budget
533 employees, individuals, and families received financial and housing counseling

TRAIN & EDUCATE

42 students enrolled in Isles Youth Institute
15 students earned high school diplomas
30 students and alumni gained job internships
56 earned certifications in construction, CPR/First Aid, & OSHA
118 youth participated in evening services
157 home visitors and community residents trained in healthy homes services at Isles’ Center for Energy & Environmental Training (CEET)
83 energy efficiency contractors and lead workers received professional training & certifications through Isles’ CEET

“I got started at IYI because I was going to Trenton High and was never going to class. The people here actually cared. They will help you out if you need anything and you can go to talk to them at any time, [but] it’s really up to you if you are going to finish school. The bond that I’ve built with the staff here, the students… it was worth it.”

– Jorge Santiago, 2019 Isles Youth Institute Graduate
“At camp we got to plant beets, carrots, bok choy, radishes and cilantro,” said eight-year-old camper Mary.

We offered the second year of Camp Carrot—a 3-week camp where 17 kids explored nature, cooked healthy meals, took field trips and discovered the environment and gardening by getting their hands dirty through fun and educational activities.

150 homes tested for lead in soil, water, and paint, for a total of 1,000+ over the past 3 years
60 homes made lead safe, healthy, and more energy efficient at an average of $7,000/unit
400 pounds of honey harvested from 12 Isles-managed beehives
710 elementary school students in 38 classrooms across seven schools received gardening and nutrition education
700 pounds of fresh food donated to emergency food suppliers
10K vegetable seedlings and hundreds of pounds of seeds distributed
20K pounds of food grown on 68 gardens

8 vacant buildings and lots acquired to create more green, affordable homes.
1,800 people, mostly youth participated in “T-Recs” recreation activities.
2nd Trenton-wide survey of 25,000+ parcels to assess vacancy, posted on restoringtrenton.org
$4M of new financing secured through the New Markets Tax Credit program to complete the Social Profit Center at Mill One
1/3 of the Social Profit Center pre-leased to nonprofits, social profit organizations, and artists, with marketing efforts underway at socialprofitcenter.org

Thank you for supporting self-reliant families and healthy, sustainable communities.

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