



## Jacksonville Housing Authority – Jacksonville, FL

<b>Jobs Plus Grant Award:</b>	\$2,300,000
<b>Leveraged Local Match:</b>	\$4,408,800
<b>Public Housing Developments:</b>	Scattered Sites Housing. The development is considered a scattered site (hence the property name) with clusters of residential units in close proximity to each other.

### Key Partners

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- Career Source Northeast Florida (WDB)
- Florida State College at Jacksonville
- United Way of NE Florida/Real Sense
- Habitat For Humanity
- All Construction Group
- Boys and Girls Club of Northeast Florida
- Family Foundations
- I-Tech Resources, Inc.
- Literacy Alliance
- Love Shots
- Lutheran Social Services
- One Week CNA
- 2nd Mile Ministries
- Workforce Industrial Training Year Up

### Purpose of the Program

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Jobs Plus develops locally based, job-driven approaches to increase earnings and advance employment outcomes through work readiness, employer linkages, job placement, educational advancement, skills development, and financial literacy for public housing residents. This place-based program supports economic resilience for residents by incentivizing and enabling employment through an earned income disregard for working families, benefiting the entire community, and supporting a culture of work.

### Project Summary

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The Jacksonville Housing Authority (JHA) Jobs Plus (JP) program includes multiple housing sites in close proximity to each other, comprised of 269 workforce households. Generally, these families are faced with multiple barriers that prevent immediate gainful employment. The Jobs Plus communities have an 83 percent unemployment rate, with 40 percent of the residents needing a high school diploma or GED.

The Jacksonville Housing Authority will utilize its Jobs Plus grant to provide educational/ vocational training, and employment assistance equipping participants to obtain employment with in-demand industries in the local area. In collaboration with Career Source Northeast Florida Workforce Development Board and other local partners, the housing authority will connect participants to local community resources that offer employment empowerment activities that will assist families in making and sustaining progress towards increasing earned income and economic independence.



## New York City Housing Authority – New York, NY

**Jobs Plus Grant Award:** \$3,700,000

**Leveraged Local Match:** \$2,713,708

**Public Housing Developments:** Surfside Gardens, Coney Island, Coney Island I

### Key Partners

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- New York City Local Workforce Development Board
- The HOPE Program
- SUNY Brooklyn Education Opportunity Center
- NYC Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD)
- Div of Workforce Development, Continuing Education and Strategic Partnership at Kingsborough Community College (KCC) Brooklyn Public Library
- Neighborhood Housing Services of Brooklyn

### Purpose of the Program

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### Project Summary

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Surfside Gardens, Coney Island, and Coney Island I sites are comprised of 836 workforce households. These families are facing challenging economic conditions with a 71 percent unemployment rate and 51% of the residents surveyed identified the lack of available of job training opportunities as an employment barrier.

New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) is committed to leveraging its Jobs Plus grant to substantially increase employment and economic opportunities for residents. Employment readiness support will be provided as well as assistance in achieving financial, educational, and vocational outcomes. To accomplish the overall Jobs Plus mission, NYCHA will establish a resident-focused Jobs Plus Center, collaborate with the New York City Local Workforce Development Board and other local partners, offer comprehensive employment services, and foster continuous resident engagement and feedback. This strategy aims to elevate the employment rate and sustain a community-wide emphasis on economic empowerment and workforce development.

NYCHA's goal is to create a comprehensive support network, equipping residents to secure employment, achieve financial independence, and improve their quality of life.



## The City of Providence Housing Authority – Providence, RI

<b>Jobs Plus Grant Award:</b>	\$2,299,981
<b>Leveraged Local Match:</b>	\$1,185,342
<b>Public Housing Developments:</b>	Chad Brown and Admiral Terrace

### Key Partners

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- American Job Center/Workforce Solutions of Providence/Cranston (WDB)
- Providence Public Library
- Jane Addams Resource Corporation Rhode Island
- HA of the City of Providence
- Polaris
- Professional Adult Development Institute
- Boys and Girls Club of Providence
- Rhodeway Financial
- Access Point
- Washington Trust Bank
- Comprehensive Community Action Program

### Purpose of the Program

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### Project Summary

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Chad Brown and Admiral Terrace are comprised of 373 workforce households. These families are facing challenging economic conditions with a 65 percent unemployment rate. In addition, 62 percent report experiencing challenges paying bills or saving money and 50% report a lack of computer/digital literacy.

The City of Providence Housing Authority's (PHA) Jobs Plus (JP) program, "Jobs Plus Providence: A Bright Future", will strive to enhance employment and promote financial self-sufficiency among residents of Chad Brown and Admiral Terrace. The Providence Housing Authority will work closely with the American Job Center/Workforce Solutions of Providence/Cranston and other local partners to significantly boost employment rates and annual earnings for residents, by fostering an environment of opportunity and moving individuals from poverty to financial independence.

Recognizing the significant barriers to employment, the Bright Future JP program will incorporate strategies such as industry-driven training programs, pre-apprenticeship and registered apprenticeships, and progressive education pathways. It also will offer supportive services, including behavioral health supports and resources.



## Fort Wayne Housing Authority – Fort Wayne, IN

<b>Jobs Plus Grant Award:</b>	\$2,300,000
<b>Leveraged Local Match:</b>	\$2,364,062
<b>Public Housing Developments:</b>	Brookmill Court Apartments and Tall Oaks Development

### Key Partners

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- Northeast Indiana (WDB)
- Housing Opportunities of Fort Wayne (HOFW)
- New Wave Health
- Boys and Girls Club
- Lutheran Social Services
- United Way of Allen County
- Housing Opportunities Program (HOP, Inc)
- Brightpoint
- Building Blocks Outreach
- Center for Nonviolence
- Fort Wayne Urban League
- Literacy Alliance

### Purpose of the Program

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### Project Summary

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Brookmill Court Apartments and Tall Oaks Development are comprised of 124 workforce households. These families are facing challenging economic conditions with a 61 percent unemployment rate. Residents highlighted limited job experience as a considerable challenge. Moreover, adults with dependent children reported encountering obstacles finding work due to a lack of accessible childcare.

The Fort Wayne Housing Authority (FWHA), in partnership with Northeast Indiana Works Workforce Development Board and other local partners, is implementing the Jobs Plus Program to improve employment prospects for the residents of the Brookmill Court Apartments and Tall Oaks Development. This program will utilize a comprehensive strategy that includes job placement programs, educational advancements, work readiness training, employer collaborations, technology skill development, and financial literacy programs. To ensure an effective place-based program across the developments, the FWHA proposes an innovative approach of establishing separate Jobs Plus Centers at each development. Moreover, FWHA has established strong partnerships with a network of service providers to ensure seamless transportation between the different sites.

The primary goal of FWHA’s Job Plus Program is to significantly boost employment rates and annual earnings for residents, fostering an environment of opportunity where individuals can maintain a path out of poverty and benefit from financial independence far beyond the grant period.



## Jackson Housing Authority – Jackson, TN

<b>Jobs Plus Grant Award:</b>	\$2,300,000
<b>Leveraged Local Match:</b>	\$2,438,060
<b>Public Housing Development:</b>	Lincoln Courts

### Key Partners

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- Workforce Innovations, Inc. (WDB)
- United Way of West Tennessee
- Salvation Army
- Christ Community Health Services
- Express Employment Services
- WRAP TN
- Regional Inter-Faith Association (RIFA)
- Lane College – Educational Programs
- Simmons Bank
- City of Jackson
- Jackson Transit Authority
- Boys and Girls Club
- West Tennessee Legal Services
- Cadence Bank
- Financial Empowerment Center
- Jackson Madison County School System
- Raymond James

### Purpose of the Program

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### Project Summary

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Lincoln Courts is comprised of 275 workforce households. These families are facing challenging economic conditions with a 74 percent unemployment rate. In addition, residents report the top three barriers to employment are childcare, financial literacy and transportation.

The Jackson Housing Authority (JHA), in partnership with Workforce Innovations, Inc. Workforce Development Board and other local partners, will implement the Jobs-Plus Program to uplift the residents of the Lincoln Courts. This program will utilize a comprehensive strategy that includes job placement, educational advancement, work readiness programs, employer linkages, technology skills, and financial literacy to increase residents' earnings and employment opportunities. Core components of the initiative are employment-related services, an earned income disregard, and community supports for work, which will collectively drive the mission forward.

JHA and its partners are committed to providing ongoing employment-related training and supportive services throughout the grant term. The primary goal of the JHA program is to empower residents to achieve self-sufficiency, enabling them to break the cycle of poverty and become active, integrated members of society.



## Eufaula Housing Authority – Eufaula, AL

<b>Jobs Plus Grant Award:</b>	\$1,600,000
<b>Leveraged Local Match:</b>	\$406,050
<b>Public Housing Development:</b>	Chattahoochee Courts

### Key Partners

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- Eufaula Career Center (WDB)
- Eufaula Barbour Chambers of Commerce Family Foundation
- Barbour County NAACP
- 3Fold+
- Eufaula Police Department
- Wiregrass United Way
- City of Eufaula

### Purpose of the Program

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### Project Summary

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Chattahoochee Courts is comprised of 189 workforce households. These families are facing challenging economic conditions with a 26 percent unemployment rate. Chattahoochee residents are faced with extensive challenges to self-sufficiency with 28 percent of the households reporting a physical or mental disability.

The Eufaula Housing Authority's (EHA) Jobs Plus Program will help increase job skills, earn credentials for employment in demand-driven job sectors, and earn sustainable competitive wages to be self-sufficient. Partnering with the Eufaula Career Center and other local partners, the program aims to address critical needs expressed by residents, including financial security, disability assistance, and childcare support. The program will be implemented using the three main components of the Jobs Plus Program - Employment-Related Services, Financial Incentives, and Community Supports for Work. Place-based sites will be established at Chattahoochee Courts to ensure accessibility. Trained staff, including a Program Director, Program Manager, Administrative Assistant/Community Coach, Job Developer, and Case Manager, will be responsible for the comprehensive operation of the program. Additionally, site managers and assistant site managers will play a crucial role in participant data collection and raising program awareness.

Through its Jobs Plus Program, EHA will deliver a range of post-assessment services, significantly increasing employment rates and average yearly earnings for workforce adults. The goal of the Eufaula Housing Authority is to create a sustainable system of support that empowers residents to achieve long-term employment and financial independence while fostering a sense of community and wellbeing.



## Charlottesville Redevelopment and Housing Authority Charlottesville, VA

<b>Jobs Plus Grant Award:</b>	\$1,600,000
<b>Leveraged Local Match:</b>	\$4,580,372
<b>Public Housing Development:</b>	Westhaven Development

### Key Partners

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- Piedmont WDB Virginia Career Works – Piedmont Region
- UVA – WestHaven CARES Center
- PHAR (PH Association of Residents)
- Financial Opportunity Center
- Network2Work
- Well Aware
- Atlantic Union Bank
- City Church

### Purpose of the Program

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### Project Summary

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The Westhaven Development is comprised of 103 workforce households. These families are facing challenging economic conditions with a 57 percent unemployment rate. Concerning access to employment opportunities, 35 percent of the residents cited the lack of job opportunities and 32 percent identified transportation as a significant barrier to employment.

The Charlottesville Redevelopment and Housing Authority's (CRHA) Jobs-Plus program will elevate the financial stability and employability of residents living in Westhaven. Partnering with the Piedmont Workforce Development Board/Virginia Career Works - Piedmont Region, the program will utilize a comprehensive approach encompassing employment-related services, financial incentives, and community supports to enhance the residents' capacity to achieve economic self-sufficiency. To accomplish the overall mission, CRHA will provide evidence-based method of providing employment and employment-related services.

CRHA's primary mission is to empower residents to move out of public housing by giving them the financial skills and confidence to reintegrate into normal society. With a strong focus on community support and sustainable employment, CRHA aims to create a lasting impact that extends beyond the grant term, transforming the lives and futures of the residents at Westhaven.



## Peoria Housing Authority – Peoria, IL

<b>Jobs Plus Grant Award:</b>	\$1,600,000
<b>Leveraged Local Match:</b>	\$651,2000
<b>Public Housing Development:</b>	Harrison Homes South

### Key Partners

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- Career Link (WDB)
- Central Illinois Friends
- Illinois Central College
- Peoria Grown
- Minority Business Development Center

### Purpose of the Program

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### Project Summary

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Harrison Homes South is comprised of 103 workforce households. These families are facing challenging economic conditions with a 66 percent unemployment rate. In addition, overcoming several barriers to gainful employment is presenting a challenge for these families. Harrison Homs residents identify affordable childcare, transportation, and the need for job experience as the primary barriers to employment.

The Peoria Housing Authority (PHA), in collaboration with CareerLink and other local partners, will implement the Jobs Plus (JP) program at Harrison Homes South Public Housing Development. This initiative is designed to enhance the earned income and employability of residents, aiming to uplift individuals from poverty and foster self-sufficiency. The program will leverage a three-pronged strategy: employment-related services, an earned income disregard, and community support for work. This holistic approach includes job placements, educational advancements, work readiness programs, employer linkages, technology skills training, and financial literacy education.

Residents will benefit from the Jobs Plus Earned Income Disregard, which allows them to increase earnings without simultaneous rent increases based on additional earned income. Additional supportive services such as childcare assistance, transportation support, and soft skills training will address employment barriers.

The goal of the JP program is to break the cycle of poverty and create a resilient and interconnected community that values work and mutual support. PHA aspires to see a significant portion of residents achieve sustained employment, increased earnings, and transition successfully out of public housing.





## Housing Authority of the County of San Joaquin – Stockton, CA

<b>Jobs Plus Grant Award:</b>	\$1,600,000
<b>Leveraged Local Match:</b>	\$2,522,834
<b>Public Housing Development:</b>	Diablo Homes

### Key Partners

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- San Joaquin County Workforce Development Board/ San Joaquin County Worknet
- Human Services Agency
- STAND
- F&M Bank
- San Joaquin County Office of Education
- California Energy Commission, Air Resources Board

### Purpose of the Program

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### Project Summary

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Diablo Homes is comprised of 103 workforce households. These families are facing challenging economic conditions with 45 percent of the households with no employed individuals in the home. Diablo Homes residents identify affordable childcare, transportation, and job training as the primary barriers to employment.

The Housing Authority of the County of San Joaquin (HACCSJ) aims to use the Jobs Plus program to enhance the economic prospects of residents at Diablo Homes through targeted education, training, and employment opportunities. HACCSJ in collaboration with San Joaquin County Workforce Development Board/San Joaquin County Worknet and other local partners, will employ a multifaceted approach to implement this program. This includes engaging job developers and case managers to provide personalized career development, scheduling services to enhance skills and maintaining regular coordination with community partners. HACCSJ and its partners will offer comprehensive case management, specialized training programs, and unique initiatives like an electric car share program to facilitate job attainment. Strategies include leveraging pre-existing Program Coordinating Committee meetings for seamless collaboration, refining the successful 2018 Jobs Plus structure, and utilizing community partnerships to ensure integrated service delivery.

Through these efforts, the program seeks to empower Diablo residents with the education and tools necessary to achieve sustainable independence. The ultimate goal of HACCSJ is to foster a community where individuals and families have the resources and opportunities to live more self-sufficient



## New Albany Housing Authority – New Albany, IN

<b>Jobs Plus Grant Award:</b>	\$1,911,572
<b>Leveraged Local Match:</b>	\$3,550,976.91
<b>Public Housing Development:</b>	Parkview

### Key Partners

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- Southern Indiana Works (WDB)
- River Valley Resources
- Life Spring Health Systems
- Our Place Drug and Alcohol Education Services
- Community Action Partnership
- NAHA Housing Counseling Agency
- First Financial Bank
- St Elizabeth Catholic Charities
- New Albany Parks and Recreation
- AmeriCorps VISTA
- Ivy Tech Community College

### Purpose of the Program

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### Project Summary

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Parkview is comprised of 476 workforce households. Parkview residents are faced with extensive challenges to self-sufficiency with 75 percent of the residents surveyed reported the need for financial literacy and 53 percent of the residents need assistance with digital inclusion.

The New Albany Housing Authority (NAHA) is committed to the successful implementation of the Jobs Plus program. NAHA, in partnership with Southern Indiana Works and other local partners, will engage residents in a workforce development program designed to improve employability and independence. By leveraging SIW's expertise, the program will align job training with the local labor market. Participants will receive comprehensive support through a multifaceted approach, including career readiness training, financial education, and wrap-around services aimed at addressing family care and soft skills. Each participant will work closely with a dedicated case manager to develop personalized goals and strategies. Additionally, two resident community coaches will provide continuous support and community engagement through outreach and small group activities.

Operational strategies will emphasize long-term sustainability, digital inclusion, peer mentorship, and coaching. These aspects are crucial for fostering a supportive environment where residents can achieve and maintain employment. Ultimately, the goal of NAHA is to empower residents to not only secure meaningful jobs but to sustain their employment, ensuring lasting positive impacts.



## Housing Authority of New Orleans – New Orleans, LA

<b>Jobs Plus Grant Award:</b>	\$1,422,850
<b>Leveraged Local Match:</b>	\$752,000
<b>Public Housing Developments:</b>	Harmony Oaks

### Key Partners

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- JOB1 Business and Career Solutions (WDB)
- Southeast Legal Association Destiny by Choice
- Delgado-Orleans Career Project
- Neighborhood Development Foundation
- THRIVE NOLA
- Housing Authority of New Orleans

### Purpose of the Program

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### Project Summary

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Harmony Oaks is comprised of 183 workforce households and 67 percent of the households have no employed individuals in the home. Concerning access to employment opportunities, 33 percent of the residents identified the need for financial literacy, 26 percent reported needing access to digital inclusion and 28 percent reported health and wellness as a significant barrier to employment.

The Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) aims to use its Jobs Plus Program to enhance employment outcomes and earnings for public housing residents. HANO, in collaboration with JOB1 Business and Career Solutions and other local partners, commits to providing a robust framework of support through case management, mentorship, and a range of services that include adult education, financial literacy, job readiness, and employment placement. The Magnolia Marketplace will provide a robust ecosystem to hire residents. The program will also offer training in entrepreneurship, connections to Earned Income Tax Credits, credit counselling, and assistance in establishing banking accounts. Operational strategies will involve leveraging the community-driven "Harmony Oaks Progress Employment" (HOPE) model, utilizing resident-to-resident support systems, and applying financial incentives like the Jobs Plus Earned Income Disregard.

The ultimate goal of HANO, through the Jobs Plus Program, is to create a sustainable environment that fosters long-term financial stability and wealth accumulation for residents, empowering them to achieve self-sufficiency and contribute positively to the New Orleans economy.



## Southern Nevada Regional Authority – Las Vegas, NV

**Jobs Plus Grant Award:** \$3,000,000

**Leveraged Local Match:** \$2,575,870

**Public Housing Developments:**

Marble Manor, Jones Gardens Marble Manor Annex, Sherman Gardens, Sherman Gardens Annex, and Villa Capri

### Key Partners

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- Workforce Connections -Southern Nevada's Local Workforce Development Board
- Southern Nevada Redevelopment and Housing Authority (local investments)

### Purpose of the Program

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### Project Summary

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Family 2 (Marble Manor, Jones Gardens) and Family 3 (Marble Manor Annex, Sherman Gardens, Sherman Gardens Annex and Villa Capri) developments are comprised of 715 workforce households and 59 percent unemployment rate. In addition, overcoming several barriers to gainful employment is presenting a challenge for these families. Residents identify affordable childcare, transportation, and the need for job experience as the primary barriers to employment.

The Southern Nevada Regional Housing Authority (SNRHA) Jobs Plus Program is an ambitious initiative designed to uplift our community by addressing persistent poverty through employment support and career development strategies. SNRHA, in collaboration with Workforce Connections and other local partners, will provide a comprehensive suite of services. These services will encompass education, skills training, career development, job placement, financial literacy, health care, childcare, elder care, and transportation. To implement the program, SNRHA plan to hire a dedicated onsite team to support improving access to workforce connections and WIOA resources. A Jobs Plus Center will be established adjacent to Marble Manor to serve as the central hub for program activities, ensuring easy access for the Jobs Plus participants.

The goal is to create a sustainable program that continues to empower residents to achieve employment and financial stability well beyond the life of the grant.



## Selma Housing Authority – Selma, AL

<b>Jobs Plus Grant Award:</b>	\$2,300,000
<b>Leveraged Local Match:</b>	\$840,000
<b>Public Housing Developments:</b>	George Washington Carver and Felix Heights

### Key Partners

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- Alabama Career Center System - Selma Career Center (WDB)
- Selma City Schools
- Rural Health Medical Program, Inc
- Selma Dallas Public Library
- Triple A Transportation

### Purpose of the Program

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### Project Summary

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George Washington Carver and Felix Heights are comprised of 288 workforce households. These families are facing challenging economic conditions and 69 percent of the households have no employed individuals in the home. Selma Housing Authority's (SHA) Jobs Plus Program, supported by strategic partners, will enhance employment opportunities and economic stability for residents. SHA, in collaboration with Selma Career Center and other local partners, will provide comprehensive job training, placement services, and supportive resources that address barriers to employment.

Key strategies include:

- **Community Engagement:** Conducting outreach through community meetings, focus groups, and individual consultations to tailor services to resident needs.
- **Skill Development:** Offering workshops, training sessions, and educational programs aligned with local job market demands.
- **Partnerships:** Establishing collaborations with local employers, educational institutions, and industry associations to enhance job placements and career advancement.
- **Supportive Services:** Providing childcare assistance, transportation support, and financial literacy training to enable residents to sustain employment.

The goal of the SHA is to foster economic self-sufficiency and upward mobility, transforming the communities into thriving, self-reliant neighborhoods.



## Housing Authority of the City of Valdosta – Valdosta, GA

**Jobs Plus Grant Award:** \$3,000,000

**Leveraged Local Match:** \$1,533,900

**Public Housing Developments:** Cranford Homes and Hudson-Dockett

### Key Partners

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- The Georgia Career Center (WDB)
- Wiregrass Georgia Technical College
- MG Empowerment Center
- Pro Service Staffing of America, LLC
- Country Financial
- One Valdosta-Lowndes Foundation
- Open Hand
- I Am Royal, Inc.
- Healing and Beyond, Inc.

### Purpose of the Program

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### Project Summary

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Cranford Homes and Hudson-Dockett are comprised of 406 workforce households. These families are facing challenging economic conditions with 61 percent of the eligible participants report serious to moderate challenges with availability of jobs 63 percent report a lack of job training opportunities, 58 percent are facing financial security challenges, and 51 percent are facing challenges with debt.

Valdosta Housing Authority's (VHA) Jobs Plus Program aims to enhance residents' access to employment opportunities, training, and supportive services through strategic partnerships and community engagement. VHA will work closely with the Georgia Career Center and other local partners in order to implement the program. By addressing the unique needs of each community, the Jobs Plus Program endeavors to create pathways to economic stability and upward mobility. VHA plans to provide residents with job readiness training, vocational education, skills development workshops, and personalized support from case managers and employment specialists.

VHA is committed to establishing Community Supports for Work to address barriers to employment and facilitate residents' access to essential services. These supports include transportation assistance, childcare provisions, healthcare access, and strategic partnerships with local organizations. Additionally, VHA aims to create an environment conducive to workforce participation and sustainable employment outcomes. Through VHA's multifaceted approach, VHA seeks to empower residents, promote economic empowerment, and foster long-term success within the community.