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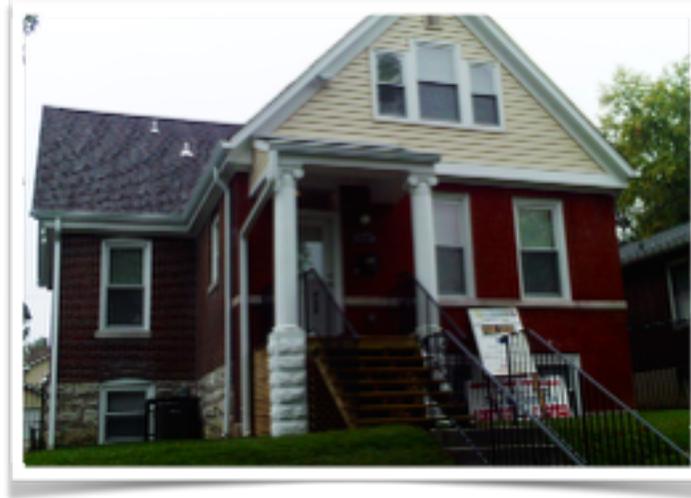
Riverview West Florissant Development Corporation (RWFDC) was founded in 1994 to strengthen and stabilize the city's north corridor which includes 10 neighborhoods and over 40,000 residents. Since then, we have completed well over 100 homes via new construction or rehab, and have served as an anchor in the community for over 20 years. These projects are completed through our **Handy Man Repair** program which is designed to assist low-income homeowners with minor repairs to the home that improve health, safety and stabilize the home for continuous occupancy.

Programs that RWFDC oversees include:

- The Handy Man Program
- The Baden Enrichment Center
- The Beautification Program
- Property Management

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For the past two years RWFDC has provided property management for over 15 of their own properties and over 10 private owners.



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Undertaking community development activities which include: housing, neighborhood improvement and economic development in the targeted communities of Baden, College Hill, Near North Riverfront, North Riverfront, O'Fallon, Walnut Park East, Walnut Park West, North Pointe and other communities in the City of St. Louis.

The **Handyman program** addresses home repairs that may go unnoticed by most homeowners, and are otherwise cost prohibitive for homeowners who are on a fixed income. These repairs are generally physically impossible the homeowner to complete by themselves.

Once a resident is qualified, an inspection is scheduled and resident is shown problem areas, informed of ways to preserve their homes along with taught preventive maintenance measure.

The Inspector meets with the homeowner to discuss the work which will be done by the Handyman team, as well as continued steps needed by homeowner to discuss the work which will be done by the Handyman team, as well as continued steps needed by homeowner to insure a safe and healthy environment.



The **Baden Enrichment Center (BEC)** provides a variety of activities to promote health of mind, body and soul for our area youth who would otherwise not have such activities available within their community.

Programs at the center include group/individual counseling, boxing, basketball, computer literacy, arts & crafts, academic enrichment, anti-bullying classes and an overall development of each individual. The center offers a safe, healthy stable environment to learn and expand our horizons.

The BEC is located at: 1019 Baden Avenue

Our program is partially funded by a grant received from ARCHS.

From June through September, teens have the opportunity to participate in our **Beautification Program**. The Beautification program which began in 2006 to address the lawn care needs of an aging population and the employment needs of area youth. Services are provided in a bi-weekly rotation between the hours of 7am to 12pm, Monday through Thursday. The Baden Enrichment Center is a feeder program for the Beautification program, whereas youth from the BEC are trained and hired for lawn maintenance work. Additionally, youth are also trained in financial literacy and other helpful skills to secure future employment.

