

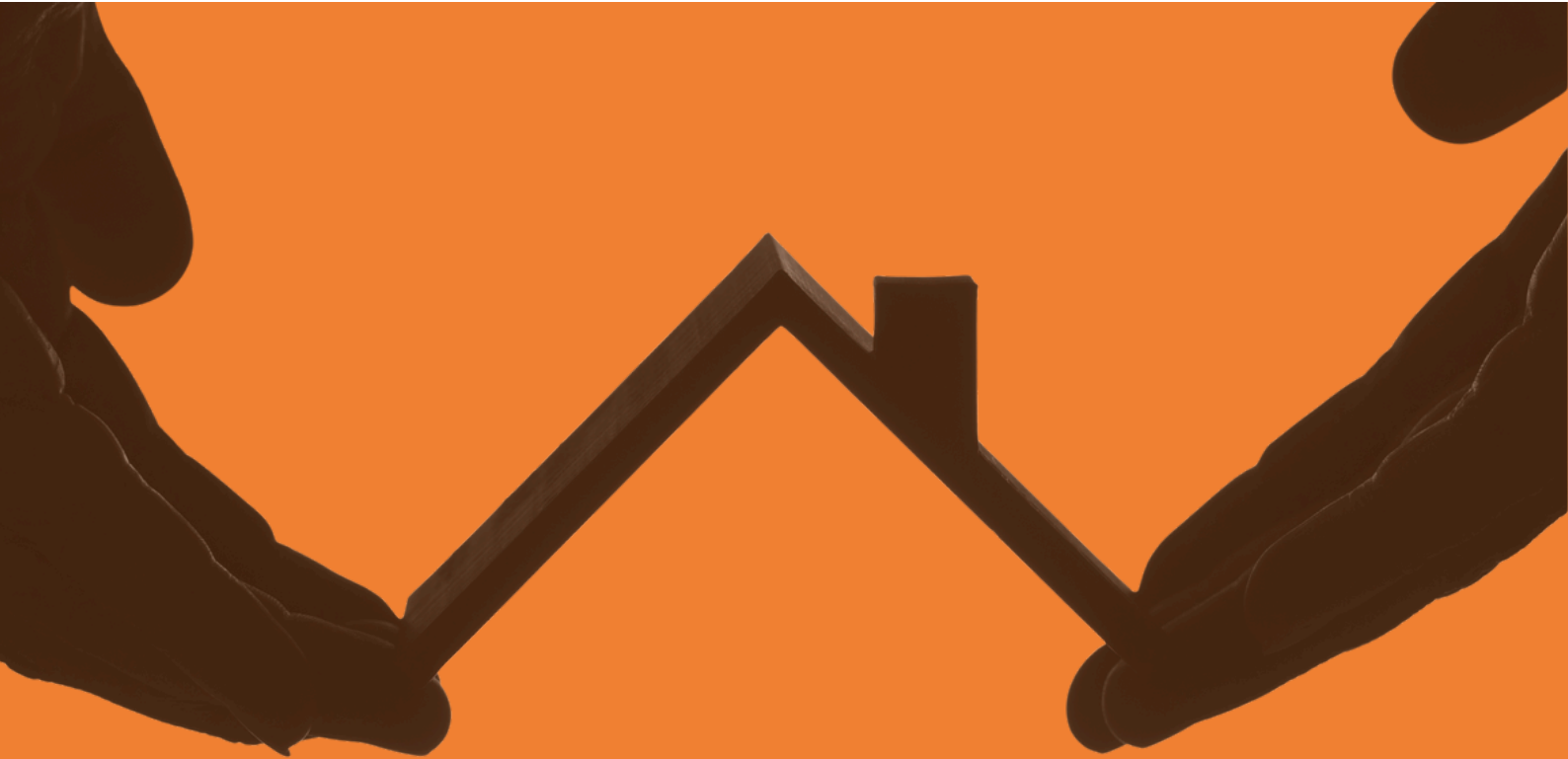
2025-26

IMPACT REPORT





Our Model



The Springfield Community Land Trust (SCLT) works to create permanently affordable homeownership opportunities and strengthen neighborhoods in Springfield, Missouri.

SCLT develops and stewards permanently affordable homes through the community land trust model. Homes are sold to income-qualified buyers, while the land remains in trust to ensure affordability for future generations. SCLT can be used for housing, economic opportunities, and to protect the natural environment.



Sold to Income-Qualified Buyer



Remains with SCLT



Equitable Homeownership

The Springfield Community Land Trust (SCLT) advances equitable homeownership opportunities that expand access to stable, affordable housing while helping families build long-term financial security. Through the community land trust (CLT) model, SCLT ensures that homes remain affordable not just for today's buyer, but for future generations as well. To date, SCLT has successfully constructed or rehabilitated and sold 19 homes, each representing a pathway to homeownership that may not otherwise have been attainable in today's housing market. By removing barriers to entry and reducing exposure to rapidly rising housing costs, SCLT helps households establish roots, build equity, and invest in their futures.

Notably, six of these homes have already been resold through the CLT model, demonstrating the lasting strength and sustainability of this approach. Each resale ensures that affordability is preserved while allowing homeowners to realize a fair return on their investment. This cycle of opportunity creates a lasting community asset — one that balances individual wealth-building with long-term housing stability for the broader Springfield community.

Through equitable homeownership, SCLT is helping create neighborhoods where more families have the opportunity to thrive.

Welcome Our Newest Homeowner – Jesse

My mother purchased a SCLT house in 2014 where we lived together for most of the past decade. She passed away in 2024, so I am now an “actual” SCLT homeowner. I now live here with the pile of cats and a dog I also inherited.

I'm glad to have this house, as it has a lot of sentimental value built up. I also enjoy working on home projects. Having been over 10 years since the initial move-in, it's time for a new coat of paint and a lot of other work to be done. It would be hard to even pick my favorite thing about owning a home. I greatly appreciate the stability and independence it offers, but also really enjoy making a space into exactly what you want it to be.





Housing Stability

SCLT's rental program expands access to stable housing through below-market-rate homes that provide consistency and opportunity for individuals and families. SCLT currently maintains 25 rental homes, each designed to offer quality housing at a price point that remains attainable in an increasingly competitive market. These homes help ensure that community members can maintain stable housing while pursuing employment, education, improved health, and long-term goals. By preserving affordability over time, SCLT helps prevent displacement and supports stronger, more connected neighborhoods.

Several homes within the portfolio serve residents who benefit from additional stability during times of transition. One home provides housing for families emerging from homelessness and is serving a family of two adults and two children this year.

Two homes, operated in partnership with a local domestic violence organization, supported at least eight women and eight children last year, while another long-term rental provided stability for a mother and her four sons as they left a domestic violence situation. In addition, three residents who previously experienced homelessness have maintained stable housing in SCLT homes for more than two years after completing programming with The Kitchen, demonstrating the lasting impact of stable, supportive housing. Together, these homes illustrate how below-market rentals can provide both immediate stability and a foundation for long-term wellbeing.

25

Below-Market Rental Homes

3

Homes for Survivors of Domestic Violence

3

Homes in Partnership with Supportive Services

1

Transitional Home



Shared Effort

Volunteers play a vital role in advancing the mission of the Springfield Community Land Trust. This year, 893.5 hours of service were contributed by individuals who gave their time, expertise, and energy to strengthen our work. Board and committee members provided strategic leadership and guidance, helping ensure strong governance and thoughtful decision-making. Volunteers also supported day-to-day operations in the office and assisted with preparing homes for new residents, contributing directly to the quality and readiness of our properties.

These contributions represent more than time—they reflect a shared commitment to expanding housing opportunity and strengthening our community.

From behind-the-scenes planning to hands-on property improvements, volunteer efforts help extend SCLT's capacity and deepen our impact. Their support makes it possible for SCLT to steward resources responsibly while continuing to create pathways to stable housing.



Volunteers provided the equivalent of 22 full-time work weeks!



Look Back



If this year had a theme, it would be “building”—building homes, building partnerships, and building momentum toward a more affordable Springfield. Here’s a look back at what we’ve accomplished.

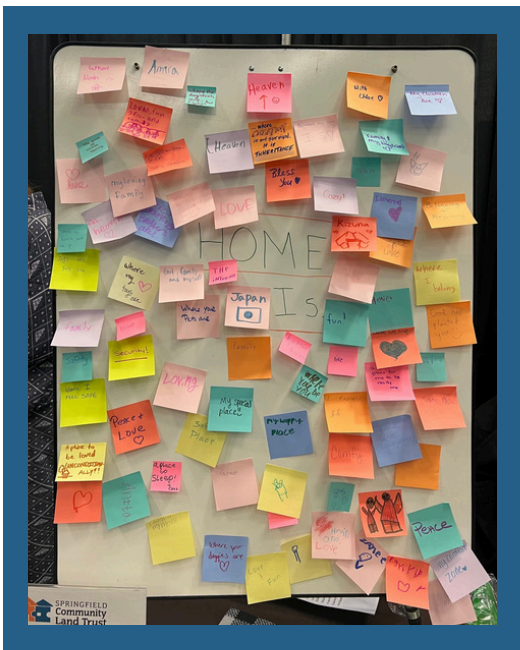
In October, SCLT hosted a screening of *The Pruitt-Igoe Myth* followed by a panel discussion connecting its lessons to Springfield’s future. Together with local leaders and community members, we explored how policy, investment, and equity shape our neighborhoods—and how we can build a more inclusive and sustainable path forward.



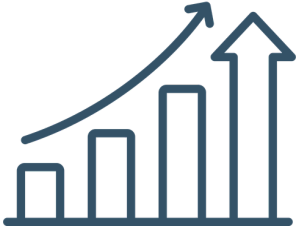
Thank You!



At this year’s Multicultural Fair, SCLT had the opportunity to connect with community members from across Springfield and share our mission of creating permanently affordable housing. Through conversations at our booth, we invited people to reflect on what “home” means to them—gathering thoughtful, personal responses that reminded us that home is more than a place; it’s belonging, stability, and community.

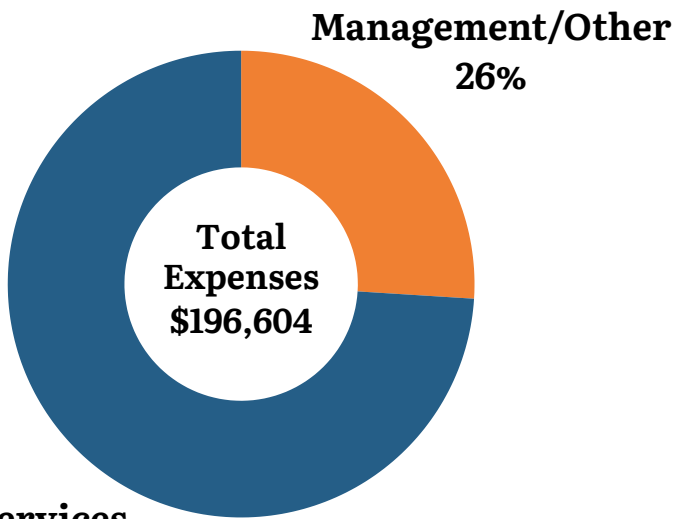


We launched our first Giving Week and expanded our presence through Facebook, Instagram, a newsletter, and even Spotify—creating new ways to share our work, engage supporters, and bring more people into the conversation about affordable housing in Springfield.



Community Investment

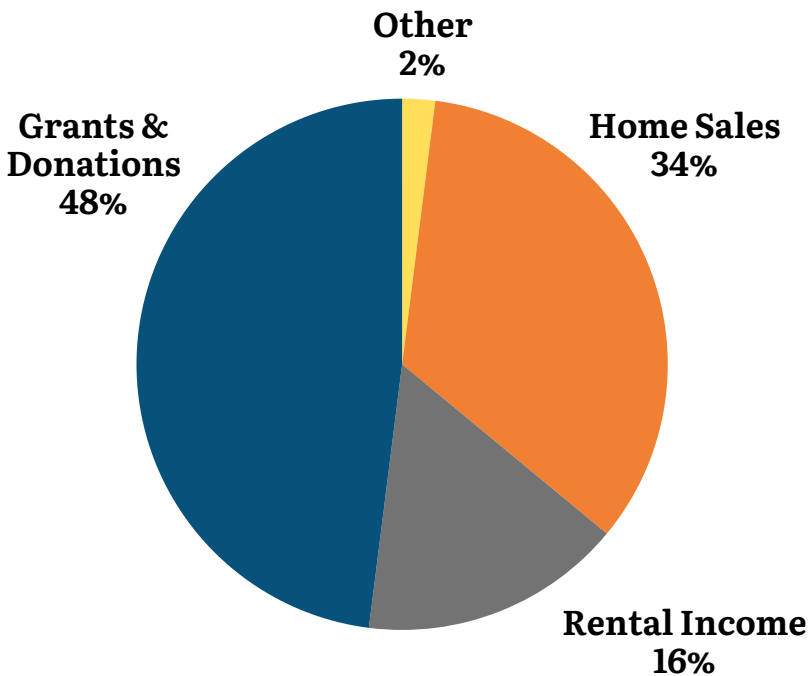
How Resources Are Used



102 People Served

Program Services
74%

How Our Work Is Funded



\$2.5 Million
in Community
Assets Stewarded

Unlike traditional nonprofits, the Springfield Community Land Trust builds long-term community wealth by holding land and homes in trust—ensuring permanent affordability for future generations.

***Financial information reflects FY2025 reporting**

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**Join us as we work to
provide equitable access
to housing in Springfield!**