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Life Conference

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What GHHI Looks Like: Liz's Story

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Liz's House After a GHHI Intervention

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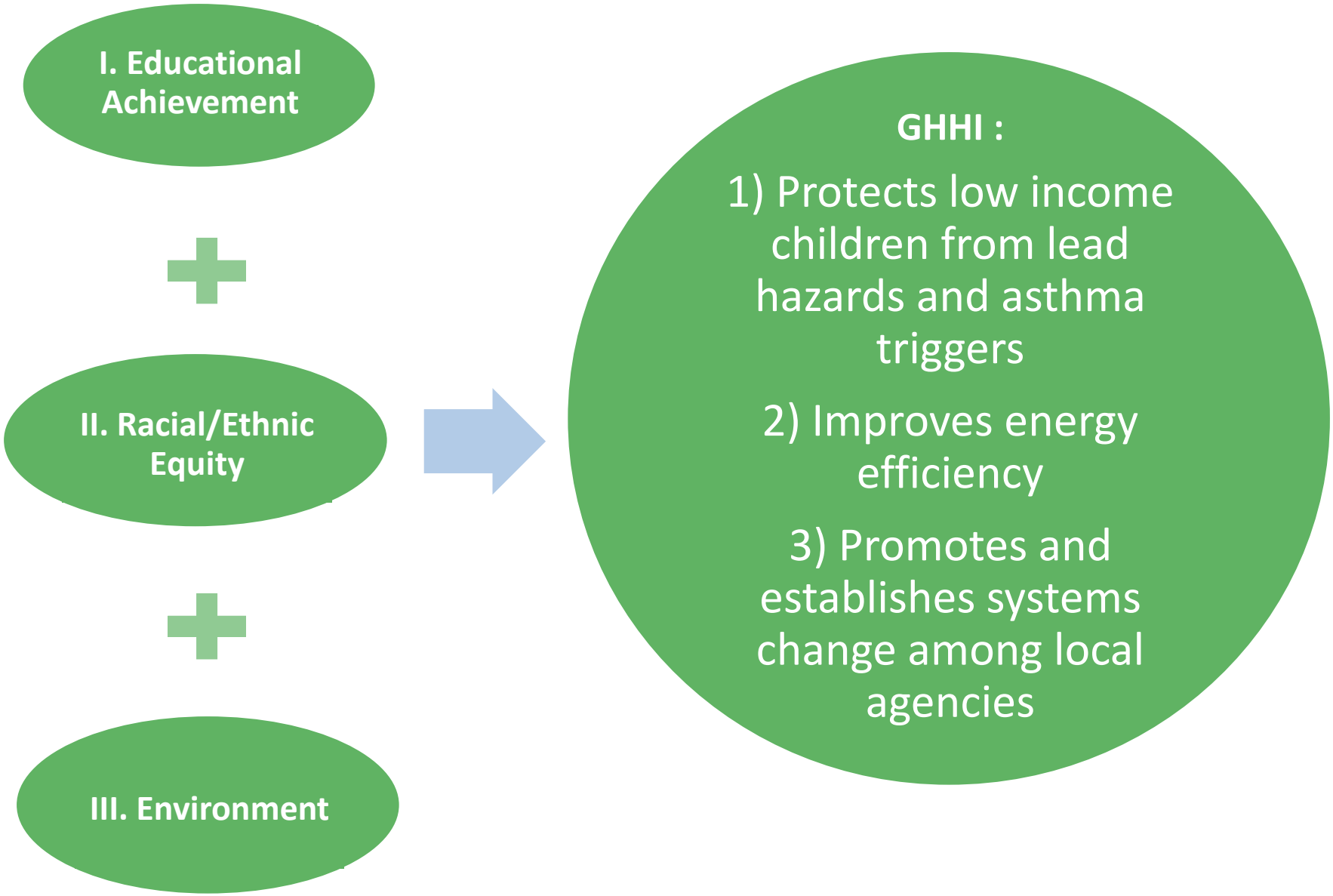
Principles of GHHI:

- Replace silos with collective action
- Build on current activities
- Streamline process
- Build a lasting system for coordination


I. Educational Achievement
II. Racial/Ethnic Equity
III. Environment
GHHI :
1) Protects low income children from lead hazards and asthma triggers
2) Improves energy efficiency
3) Promotes and establishes systems change among local agencies

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Buffalo is…

3rd poorest city in the U.S.

2nd most expensive city to heat a home

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9 zip codes designated as "communities of concern" for high risk lead poisoning

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66% of housing units built 1939 or earlier

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Over **5,000** asthma related ER visits per year for children 17 yrs. or younger

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Integrated Approach!

Don’t do anything new, Just work together….

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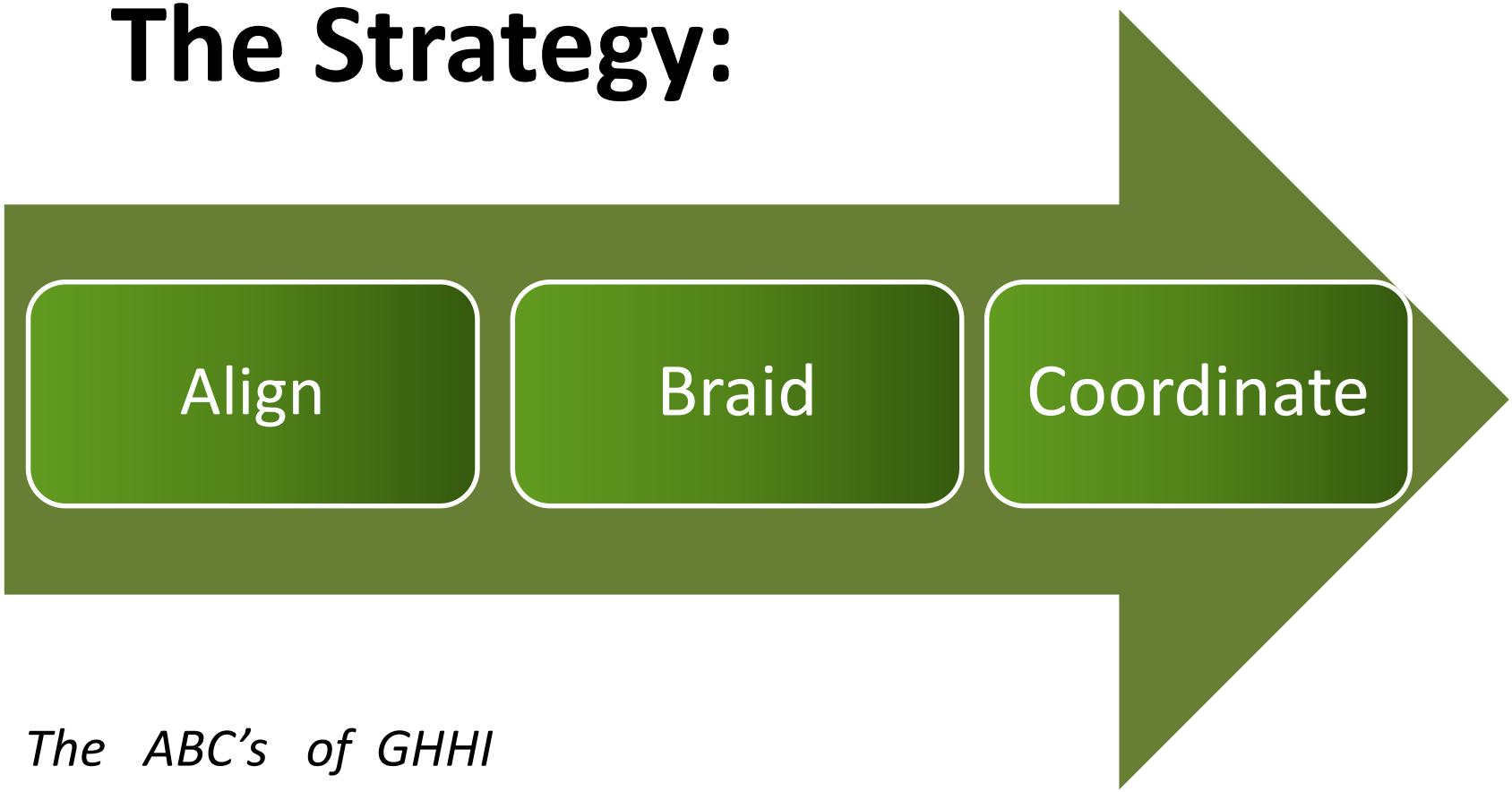
The Strategy:



The ABC's of GHHI

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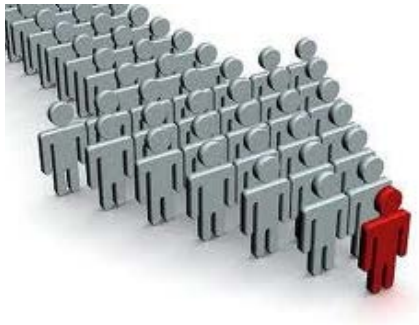
Align: Intake and Enrollment

- Common Referrals
- Data Sharing Agreements



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Align: Shared Criteria

- Low income
- Owner occupied
- Residence built before 1978
- Children residing in the home
- Located within the City of Buffalo

Determine Eligibility Once!!

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Align: Referral Sources

- EmPower New York
- Erie County Department of Health
- Health Insurance Plans
- Lt. Col. Matt Urban Center
- NHS of South Buffalo
- City of Buffalo – Buffalo Urban Renewal Agency
- Heart of the City Neighborhoods

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Align: Data Sharing

- Written agreements to Share Data on:

  Basic demographic data, income verification, copies of assessments and audits, scopes of work, project budgets, behavioral questionnaires, etc.

- Client authorization for information to be shared.

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Align: Common Assessment

- BPI Energy Audit
- HUD Housing Quality Standards
- One Page Additional Health and Safety

Avoid duplication Wherever Possible!!

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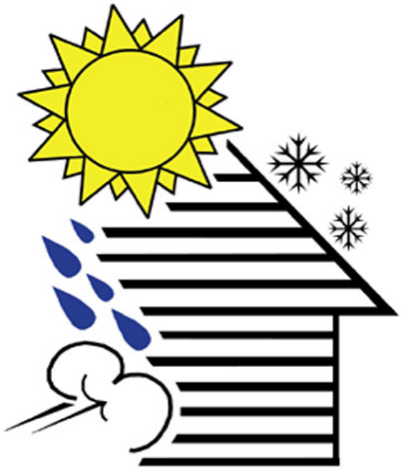
WHOLE HOUSE STRATEGY



Weatherization

Energy Efficiency

Home Safety

Health

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Assembled GHHI Partners:

- Belmont Housing Resources of Western New York
- PUSH Buffalo
- Neighborhood Housing Services of South Buffalo
- New Buffalo Impact
- West Side & Black Rock Neighborhood Housing Services
- Heart of the City Neighborhoods, Inc.
- Old First Ward Community Association, Inc.
- Erie County Department of Health
- Lt. Col. Matt Urban Human Services Center of WNY

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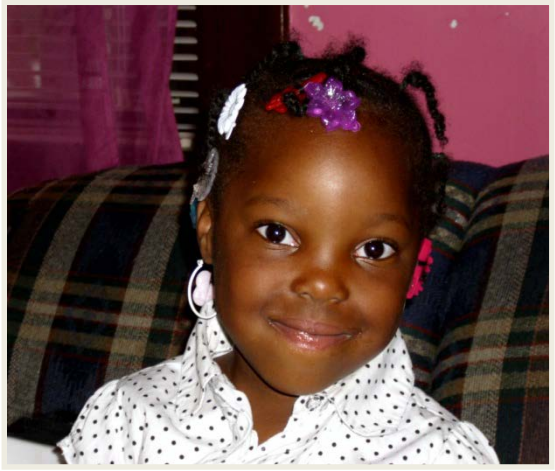
The Green & Healthy Homes Opportunity in Buffalo:

- Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo
- NYS Attorney General
- Empower – NYSERDA
- The Community Health Foundation
- CDBG
- HOME
- HCR – Weatherization
- ARRA – Weatherization
- HUD – Lead Hazard Control



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GHHI Workforce Development

- Center for Employment Opportunities
- Habitat for Humanity
- People United for Sustainable Housing
- National Green & Healthy Homes Initiative
- Open Society Foundation
- NYS Department of Labor

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Buffalo GHHI Training Offerings

- EPA-accredited Lead Renovation, Repair, and Painting Program (RRP) training
- OSHA 10 Training (construction)
- EPA and OSHA-accredited Asbestos Worker/Handler Training
- Mold Awareness and Removal Training
- Healthy Homes Training

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GHHI Production to Date

# of Units Complete	395
# of Residents Assisted	813
# of Assisted from Workforce	201
Total Children 0-17	204
Total Seniors	158
Total Public Funds	$ 6,068,440
Total Private Funds	$ 353,050
Total Support	$ 7,119,513

Porch Roof Collapse

After Repairs

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"I am so blessed that you had this program at this time and enabled me to keep my home not only for myself and my wife but for my grandbabies who need this place."

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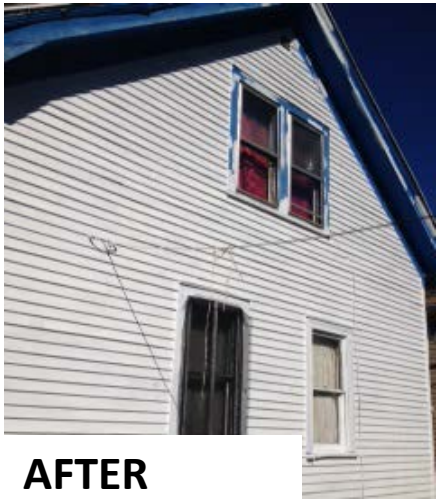

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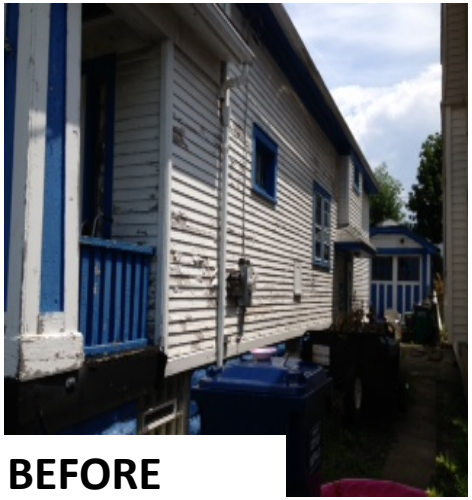

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