

PRESS RELEASE

Tifton Celebrates Two Completed CHIP Grant Projects with Bell Ringing



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TIFTON, Ga. – The City of Tifton celebrated two successfully completed Community HOME Investment Program (CHIP) Grant projects on Monday.

Tifton city leaders celebrated the completion of the rehabilitation of two Tifton homes, belonging to Betty Pitts and Celestine Williams, with two bell ringing ceremonies on August 11.

In 2023, The City of Tifton was awarded \$400,000 in CHIP Grant funding to assist homeowners within its target area by addressing home rehabilitation needs. These 2023 CHIP funds allowed the Pitts and Williams home rehabilitation projects to happen.

In the Pitts' home, the CHIP Grant was able to fund rehabilitation that provided electrical and plumbing upgrades, a new HVAC system, exterior doors, windows, paint and gutters, new flooring, a new roof, new exterior vinyl, porch upgrades, kitchen upgrades, and bathroom upgrades. Campbell's Construction and Roofing, of Tifton, were the contractors for the Pitts home, and Sherry and Jeff Kurtz, of Americus, were the grant administrators for the project.

In the Williams' home, the CHIP Grant funded upgrades that included electrical and plumbing, a new HVAC system, exterior doors, windows, roof, paint and gutters, new flooring, the repair and stabilization of the front porch, and bathroom and kitchen upgrades. John Thompson Construction Company, of Albany, were the contractors for the Williams home and Sherry and Jeff Kurtz, of Americus, were the grant administrators for the project.

The City of Tifton has now completed three home rehabilitation projects through the CHIP grant program and has one home in progress.

The City of Tifton was awarded \$400,000 in 2023 and \$500,000 in 2025 from the Georgia Department of Community Affairs to assist eligible low to moderate income homeowners with housing rehabilitation.

The City of Tifton is currently accepting applicants for the 2025 funds. To be eligible for the grant program, applicants must own and occupy their home, be located within the target area, and be able to meet other applicant requirements. Contact our Grant Administrators for more info at **229-928-5779**.

To view the 2025 CHIP Grant flyer, please visit [here](#).

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