

Houses to Homes



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“By wisdom a house is a built, and
through understanding it is established;
by knowledge the rooms are filled with
all precious and pleasant riches.”

PROVERBS 24:3 (NIV)



Tova Jones

WRITER AND MARKETING STRATEGIST, CALVIN UNIVERSITY

Tova Jones is a dedicated community leader with over 15 years of experience in the non-profit sector, serving in impactful roles at LINC UP, Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore, Network 180, Gazelle Sports, and Calvin University. Tova's passionate about bridging communities, empowering entrepreneurs, and leveraging the power of digital marketing to drive connections and positive change. Tova is happily married to Samuel Jones, and together they are the proud parents of Aliviah and Dixon.



Gary Burge

VOLUNTEER, ICCF COMMUNITY HOMES

Gary Burge joined ICCF Community Homes as a dedicated volunteer on our real estate team last Spring where he provides historical research on properties. In 2023 he completed a distinguished career as Professor of New Testament serving at Wheaton College (Chicago) and most recently at Calvin Theological Seminary as the Dean of Faculty. He continues to teach for Calvin's Prison Initiative (Handlon Prison, Ionia), Calvin's CALL program, Calvin Seminary, and in local churches.



Michelle Covington

VICE PRESIDENT OF ADVANCEMENT, ICCF COMMUNITY HOMES

For seven years, Michelle Covington has been at the helm of sharing stories about ICCF Community Homes and those whom they serve. Through print, marketing, and in-person engagement, she works alongside her team to draw community into the joy of loving neighbors through affordable housing supply and services. Michelle also serves on several boards and committees seeking to improve healthcare and education opportunities locally.



Ryan VerWys

CEO, ICCF COMMUNITY HOMES

Spend a few moments with Ryan VerWys and you will know what he's passionate about – his family, the local church as a change agent, and building thriving communities. At ICCF Community Homes for the past 10 years, Ryan blends his desires to mobilize others for justice and developing community resources to play a part in building stronger neighborhoods. Ryan is cheered on by his wife Rachel and four children, Malachi, Abram, Ezekiel, and Selah.

Ebenezer Awards

“Thus far the Lord has helped us.”

1 SAMUEL 7:12, NIV

The Ebenezer Award recognizes those who support efforts to provide housing opportunities and build stable communities. Through their engagement, advocacy, and collaboration they make an impact in the lives of those ICCF Community Homes is privileged to serve.

Encounter Church

DOING GOOD



In 2023 and 2024, Encounter Church practiced their core value of “loving where they live” by partnering with ICCF Community Homes for *Doing Good Month*. The generous outpouring of support from this two-site church funded the renovation of three ICCF homes, inspired dozens of volunteers to donate time, and provided supplies for our emergency shelter, Family Haven. Encounter’s involvement reached beyond *doing to being*, pairing participation in their giving program with learning about barriers, understanding experiences, and embracing God’s desire for us to love our neighbors.

Mick McGraw

HOMES TODAY & TOMORROW



For nearly 25 years, Mick McGraw has been a dedicated supporter of ICCF Community Homes. Motivated by his faith, he is a passionate advocate, spreading the word about ICCF's mission throughout West Michigan. Mick inspires others to get involved, encouraging them to become donors, volunteers, and partners. Beyond his advocacy, Mick's generosity shines through his personal donations and the support provided by his foundation, Mojo Foundation. As a home builder, his company, Eastbrook Homes, is a key partner of ICCF helping to create affordable homeownership opportunities for families in our community.

Mortgage 1 Inc.

LASTING VOLUNTEER IMPACT



Mortgage 1 Inc.'s Dan Grzywacz, Scott Reilly, and Adam Tolley have made significant contributions to housing equity and accessibility in our community through their expertise in mortgage lending, community engagement, and financial education. In their 15 years of partnership with ICCF Community Homes, they have volunteered as teachers in our homeownership classes and have consistently donated to ICCF's work. Dan, Scott, and Adam share a passion for homeownership accessibility and creating pathways to ensure equitable access to homeownership and housing justice in West Michigan and beyond.



From the Board of Directors

In the Old Testament, the people of God lived with their eyes looking backwards on His faithfulness, trusting He would continue to be there for them. They would frequently build altars or stone structures as physical reminders of God's action in their life.

ICCF Community Homes has physical structures that help us remember as well – they are constructed of brick, wood, drywall, paint, and wiring built by partners and volunteers. Each house and development built is a testimony to God's faithfulness. From the first house remodeled in 1974 to today's work at The Seymour – brick by brick these places of remembrance reflect God's provision for our community.

What comes next? We know the Lord will be faithful because He has been before. He will open new doors for affordable housing. He will provide dedicated partners, staff, and volunteers to see His work through. We trust He will create equitable opportunity, more affordable homes, and thriving neighborhoods because of the remarkable things we have seen God do already.

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For years, the David & Carol Van Andel Family Foundation has embraced opportunities to serve. Through their family foundation, they seek ways to influence programs, enhance cultures, and enrich the lives of people who deserve to soar. In their own words, “We consider it a privilege to lift up the values and mission of ICCF, honoring its efforts to help individuals and organizations thrive.”



Pinnacle is honored to support ICCF Community Homes and shares a common desire to provide affordable living options for the communities they both serve. They shared, “As one of Michigan’s most active developers and builders of affordable housing, we are proud to sponsor today’s event and the wonderful work ICCF is doing in our community.”

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