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# Open Doors Keeps People in Homes During the COVID-19 Crisis by Starting RentBridge



In May, Open Doors has received many applications from individuals and families trying to avoid eviction.



RentBridge is a new program designed to keep vulnerable residents in their homes -- despite job losses from the COVID-19 Crisis. The RentBridge program targets residents placed by Open Doors in the last 24 months, many of whom had been working successfully in the hard-hit service industries before

the pandemic. RentBridge provides emergency funds to prevent evictions, giving families and individuals time to regroup.

Together, The United Way and the Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta provided a \$150,000 grant to fund the program. The capital infusion, from their joint COVID-19 crisis fund, boosted Open Doors' initial seed investment of \$100,000. Since the application process opened

New RentBridge Program Featured on NPR's "A Closer Look with Rose Scott"

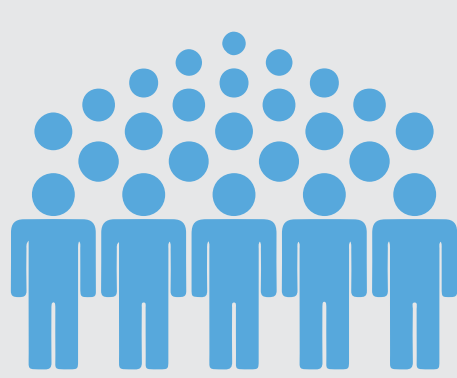


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## OPEN DOORS CONTINUES TO REACH NEW MILESTONES



**7,500**  
PLACEMENTS TO-DATE SINCE THE INCEPTION OF OPEN DOORS

## Your Support Helps Victims of Domestic Violence Find Safety and Comfort at Home



### Regina and Mina:

When her life was threatened by a domestic partner, Regina became severely depressed. She knew she needed to start a new life for herself and for her six-year-old daughter Mina . . . but without financial resources or emotional support, she was at high risk for harm.

[Watch Regina and Mina's Story](#)

## Regina and Mina's Steps to Finding a Home of Their Own

In need of supportive services, Regina sought help from the Partnership Against Domestic Violence

PADV caseworker Angela Bywaters accepted Regina into a program of intensive support for both mother and daughter

Angela also utilized Open Doors' Apartment Locator App to find an apartment that would accept Regina, despite her low income

Within 4 weeks, Regina and Mina were living in their safe, comfortable apartment in The Gardens at Camp Creek

**The Gardens of Camp Creek reduced its vacancy and welcomed the new residents, who are supported by vouchers and a rent guarantee**

## Open Doors Made the Connections to Bring Regina and Mina Home



Thank you for supporting Open Doors and for helping give Regina and Mina a fresh start.

## BECOME A PROPERTY PARTNER

If you are an apartment owner or manager experiencing higher vacancy during this crisis, please contact Open Doors about being a property partner. We can help you fill vacancies quickly, and your Open Doors referrals will come with a range of helpful services, including:

Voucher Management Assistance

Post-Housing Supports

Rent Payment Assistance

Rent Loss Guarantees

Call Open Doors at (470) 222-3213

Our mission is to make connections between nonprofits that serve those exiting homelessness and property owners seeking residents to ensure that homes will always be available for those in need.



**MAKING CONNECTIONS TO BRING PEOPLE HOME**  
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