

Coachella Valley Housing Coalition

Indio, CA

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ABOUT

IMPACT (2017-2020)

- 1580 jobs created or retained
- 514 households/families assisted
- 73% very low income; 27% low income
- \$10.6 million USDA farm labor housing; \$18.3 million USDA direct homeownership loans, 301 new homes (-income)
- cvhc.org

The Coachella Valley Housing Coalition (CVHC) is a private non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation serving Riverside and Imperial Counties in California. CVHC's mission is to improve the living conditions of low-income individuals and families by constructing and operating affordable housing infused with resident service programs and other enrichment opportunities.

CVHC provides housing for low income families, farmworkers, seniors, individuals/families with special needs and homeless veterans. Since its inception, CVHC has grown to become the largest developer of low-income housing in Riverside County, and one of the largest residential

developers of any kind in the Coachella Valley. CVHC has helped 2,087 homeowners purchase their first home through the mutual self-help program and has constructed 2,897 multi-family apartment units throughout Riverside County and has recently expanded its self-help housing efforts to the Imperial County with 61 homes currently under construction. In addition to housing, CVHC also provides diverse, comprehensive community service programs for residents residing in our multi-family apartments as well as homeownership counseling for our residents and to the public.

Financing from USDA and other state and local funding assists with providing housing for families who have a strong motivation to become homeowners but are unable to purchase a home on the open market or to those who are not ready to become homeowners but who are in need of affordable rental housing.

SUCCESS STORY



MUTUAL SELF HELP HOUSING

One of the families assisted through CVHC's Self-Help Program is Imelda Hernandez Espinoza who participated in Self-Help North Shore Group 8 in North Shore, CA. Ms. Hernandez moved into her home on July 17, 2019 and the amount of USDA assistance she received was \$155,000.

After completing her home, Ms. Hernandez said of her experience:

“Having built my house has been a great achievement. My house is something that was built with hard effort and absolutely everything was worth it. The process of building my house was fast but at the same time a bit challenging due to the coordination of my regular job, my children, and life in general. It was a new experience to make the house from scratch.

I work in a steel construction company and I have two children, one 9 years old and the other 4 years old. My children are very happy.

I am grateful to Thelma (CVHC Loan Packager), CVHC, and my neighbors who helped make this dream come true because it was a team effort, and this is more valuable. Everything is possible!”

HIGHLIGHTS

- Location: North Shore, CA
- USDA Self-Help Housing assistance of \$155,000.
- Newly constructed home for family with two children.