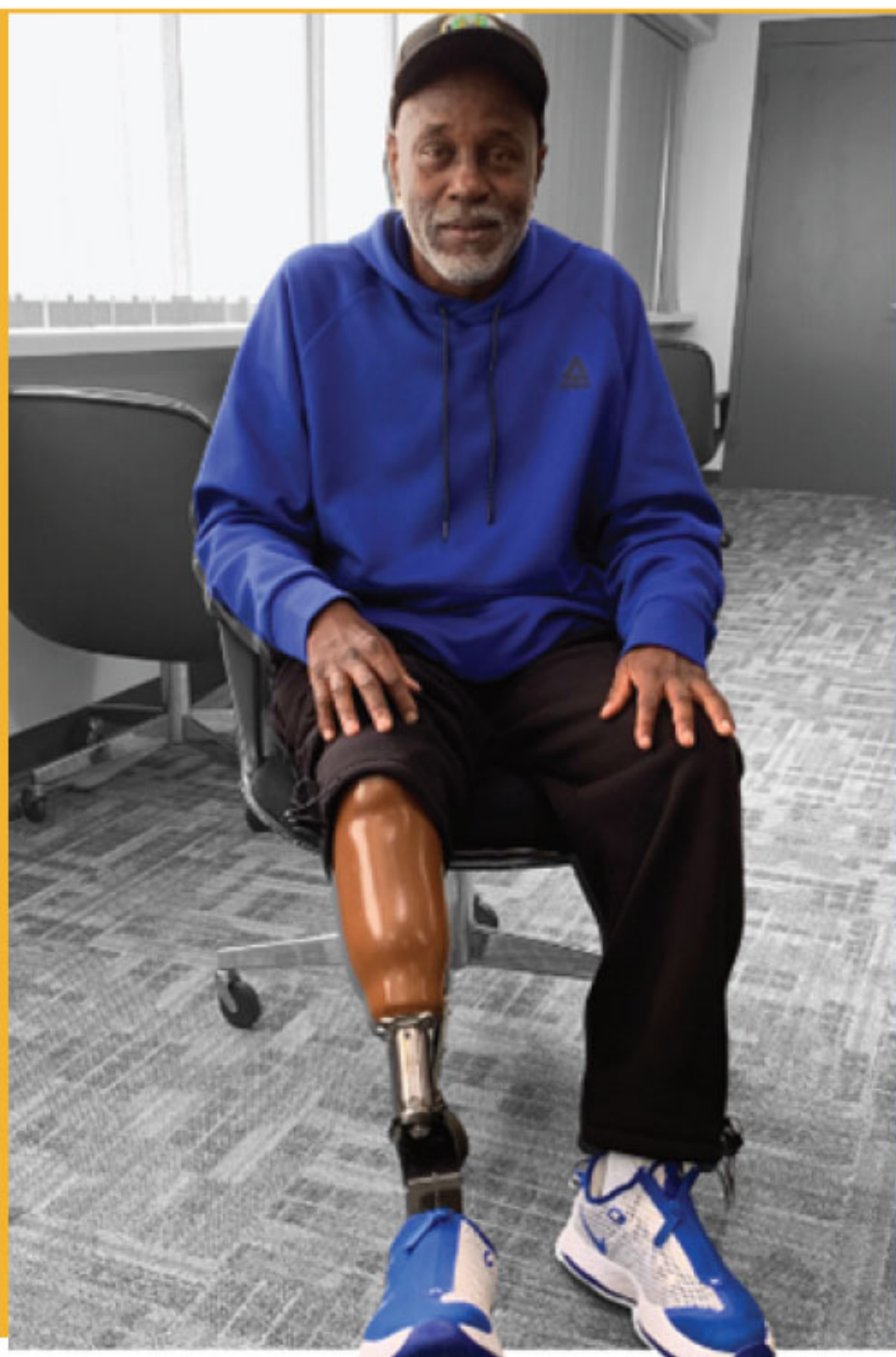


# 2022 IMPACT REPORT



For more than 35 years, Homeward Bound has focused on ending homelessness in Buncombe County. Since 2006, when we started using the Housing First model, Homeward Bound has moved more than 2,470 individuals into housing. 92% have not returned to homelessness.



James is a veteran and a successful plumber. At work, he sustained a severe injury to his toe. He received wound care at the Veterans Affairs Medical (VA) Hospital, but because of his diabetes, he had a difficult time healing. He eventually developed a bone and blood infection and had to have his leg amputated just below the knee. Because of this medical crisis, he lost his job, his leg, and his home. James stayed at a veterans shelter where he had to share a single room with five men. His roommates were messy, and some were using drugs. James had no privacy, had difficulty sleeping, and became very depressed. Then he met Molly, the Veteran Services Program Manager at Homeward Bound. James has been successfully housed since he was enrolled in Homeward Bound's program. He is receiving case management to help him get back on track with employment, ongoing healthcare, and support.

## Housing Services

- Ended homelessness for **154 individuals**, including **38 veterans**
- Ended homelessness for **69 chronically homeless** individuals
- Prevented homelessness for **162 individuals**, including **30 Veterans**
- Coordinated **159 leases with private landlords** and partnered with **more than 80** to provide stable housing to those in our community

## Affordable Housing Initiatives

- Homeward Bound began renovating the Days Inn property on Tunnel Road, which **will provide 85 permanent supportive housing apartments and on-site behavioral health services, case management, and job training** for individuals experiencing homelessness in our community. Compass Point Village is on track to open its doors to residents in 2023.
- Key Commons is fully occupied with 13 tenants, 12 of whom receive case management from Homeward Bound's Permanent Supportive Housing Program.

## AHOPE Day Center

- Diverted **76 individuals** from becoming homeless
- Conducted **398 vulnerability studies** to determine the level of need for individuals experiencing homelessness
- Provided **thousands of showers, cups of coffee, and pairs of socks** as well as a number of other valuable services
- Delivered critical client services:
  - helped clients access medication
  - provided mail and phone access to clients
  - provided social support and community

## Outreach

- Outreached to **225 individuals** living outside on the streets, in cars, under bridges, and in campsites.
- Connected clients to medical, mental health, and substance use disorder services, permanent housing resources, emergency shelters, and basic needs services.

## Welcome Home Donation Center

- Transformed **172 houses into homes** using furnishings donated by the community.
- Provided **\$195,861 worth of gently used furniture** and household goods to folks moving into their own homes.



**YOU are the key to ending homelessness**

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