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### **Iowa West Funds Help SWIHTF Tackle Housing Repair Throughout the Region**

**SOUTHWEST IOWA** – Grant funds from the Iowa West Foundation play a vital role in helping Southwest Iowa Housing Trust Fund (SWIHTF), operated by Southwest Iowa Planning Council (SWIPCO), complete important home repairs for residents in need throughout the region. The SWIHTF implements a number of other grant funds to address these repairs and the Iowa West Foundation Home Repair Grant helps get many projects to the finish line.

For the Fiscal Year 2026 Grant, SWIHTF worked on repairs for 18 homes, spread across 8 different communities. \$150,000 of Iowa West Funds were poured into these homes to supplement approximately \$240,000 of other grant funds for a total of \$390,000 worth of repair work.

Of the 18 households assisted, 8 of them included an elderly resident and 3 of them included a disabled resident. A major goal of the SWIHTF is to help residents remain safely in their homes. Oftentimes it is even more difficult for our elderly and disabled population to achieve that goal, highlighting the importance of the home repair program.

Ultimately, at the end of this Iowa West Foundation Home Repair Grant, 38 Southwest Iowa residents were impacted with a safer and more efficient living environment.

One of the repair recipients stated, “I never expected this project to be completed when it did. I thank god for the warm February weather and such nice people to work with.”

SWIHTF is grateful for the partnership with the Iowa West Foundation, which makes more projects feasible and in turn positively impacts more residents of Southwest Iowa.

If you have a need for your home and would like information about what assistance could be provided and the process involved, please contact SWIPCO at 712-243-4196 or 1-866-279-4720.

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