

# MOMENTS OF HOPE

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**[READY4WORK]**



Life Coach, Jennie Gribble, admitted to being skeptical about mentoring women she did not know. After completing the training, a dream was placed on her heart, ***"I was delivering flowers to the women enrolled in the program. God wanted me to remind his daughters they are beautiful regardless of age, shape, color or background and they are not forgotten."*** Her dream became a reality when she delivered roses, and hope, to female Ready4Work participants on September 29th.

**PARTICIPANT ACHIEVEMENT:** On Sept 9, 2011, Ready4Work participants Renaldo Reeves and Bradley Lott graduated from FSCJ's 6-week Solar Technician Program. Mr. Reeves said, ***"I learned a lot and feel more motivated with this class under my belt."***



## Operation New Hope Impact in facts & figures...

Since **1999** ONH Development has made an impact in area neighborhoods. This includes **77** homes built or restored, of which **13** are Energy Star Rated, helping homeowners save on energy costs.

Additionally, **53** roof restoration projects were completed from 2010 to 2011 in partnership with the City of Jacksonville.

Since **2003** the Ready4Work program has placed over **750** ex-offenders in jobs, helping them successfully reenter society.

We will serve almost **450** participants this year. At a cost of **\$4.100** for our program verses an annual cost of **\$19.469** to incarcerate, we could save tax payers roughly **\$7.2 MILLION** this year.

ONH is grateful for our partners. Recent contributors include financial supporters **EVERBANK** and in-kind product donations from **MATCH-UP PROMOTIONS**. By leveraging our resources, **92%** of contributions go directly to fund program services. Special thanks to **HENRY'S HICKORY HOUSE**, for 10 R4W participants hired in total.

We are happy to announce the **RECENT SALE of 627 Jessie St** and a new addition to our homeowner family. After 2 years of credit counseling, Marlene Williams purchased her home in early August and was finally able to realize her dream of homeownership.

**NEW WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM-** Duval County homeowners may qualify for up to \$12,500 in assistance to repair deficiencies with their home, helping save on energy bills. Repairs include Exterior doors, Insulation, Water Heaters, Roofs, Windows, and Heating/AC systems. For more information contact **Earline Rowe at 904.354.4673 ext. 108**



**[ONH DEVELOPMENT]**

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