



A Note from the Mayor

Hello, Detroit!

One of the most important focus areas of this administration is staying connected with you...listening, learning, and sharing information that directly supports your neighborhood. This ARPA Community Update is one way we're keeping that connection strong and ensuring you know how this historic investment is working for you.

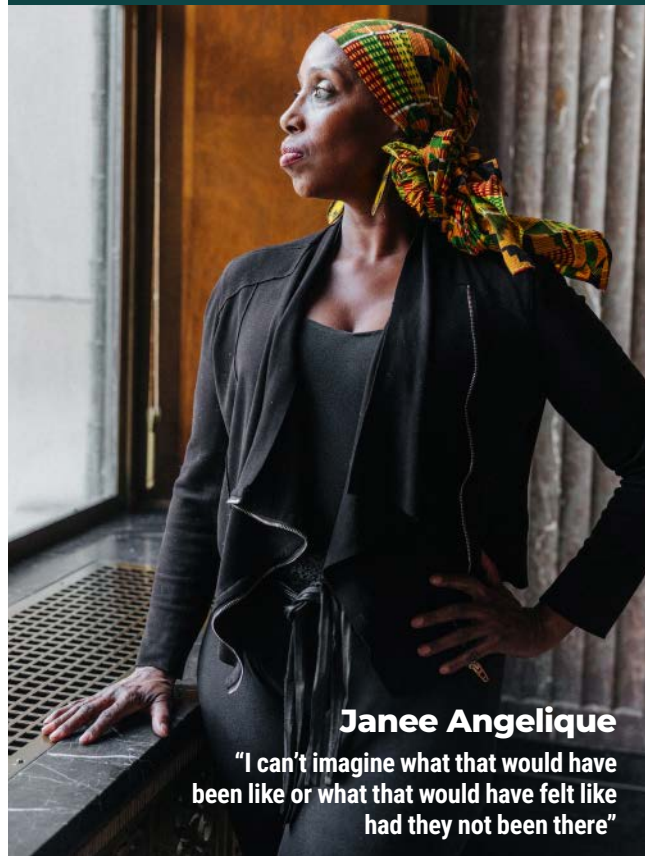
With more than \$826 million in American Rescue Plan Act funds at work across our city, this update highlights real progress and real impact — from new roofs installed through Renew Detroit, to the continued success of Right to Counsel, the Detroit Home Accessibility Program, and the Neighborhood Beautification Program. Due to overwhelming demand, Renew Detroit has reached capacity, proof of both its success and the need it's meeting. This isn't a new Detroit...it's a Detroit that is Rising Higher!

~ Mayor Mary Sheffield

Right to Counsel (Eviction Defense)

Legal Defense for Detroiters Facing Eviction. In the Office of Eviction Defense (Right to Counsel), qualified low-income Detroit residents **receive free legal representation** in residential eviction cases at 36th District Court, as well as support in housing-related administrative proceedings.

- **18,276** tenants were assisted through the RTC/ Office of Eviction Defense between March 2023 through March 2026.
- **9,721** tenants retained possession of their homes between March 2023 through March 2026.



Jane Angelique

"I can't imagine what that would have been like or what that would have felt like had they not been there"



Down Payment Assistance Program

A \$19M program that provides qualifying Detroit residents grants of up to \$25,000 for a down payment on a home.

794 | Have received assistance as of October 2025



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Detroit Home Accessibility Program

Makes safety and access improvements at the homes of Detroit residents with disabilities and low-income seniors.

215 | Accessibility projects completed



Renew Detroit

Home repair program helping up to 2,000 low-income senior residents with disabilities stay in their homes by replacing leaking roofs or windows. Applications for the program are now closed.

1,929 | Roof repairs completed



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Detroit Housing Services (DHS)

Helps residents facing housing emergencies by locating, applying for, and securing stable, affordable, and permanent housing.

5,838 | Residents placed in permanent housing as of January 2026



Neighborhood Beautification Program

The NBP grant provides funding to Detroit-based neighborhood associations, block clubs, and faith-based organizations or non-profit organizations to beautify their neighborhoods.

- Round 1: **36 grants awarded** (Fall 2022)
- Round 2: **45 grants awarded** (Summer 2023)
- Round 3: **16 grants awarded** (Fall 2023)
- Round 4: **60 grants awarded** (Fall 2024)
- Round 5: **94 grants awarded** (Summer 2025)