



Building Stronger Communities, Together.

The Stronger Communities Initiative (SCI) launched in June 2024 as a pilot to invest in place-based solutions across six West Palm Beach neighborhoods: Historic Northwest, Coleman Park, Pleasant City, Northwood Hills, Pinewood Park, and North 45th Street. Through one-year grants, SCI supported nine nonprofits working to improve the social determinants of health, including housing, transportation, education, economic opportunity, and community well-being.

In its first year, SCI partners engaged more than 11,000 residents. They provided thousands of rides to jobs, food, and healthcare; preserved homes and generational wealth; revitalized housing; created new spaces for gathering; and expanded mentoring, wellness, and family support programs. Each partner leaned into its strengths while building a stronger network of support across neighborhoods.

The work was not without challenges. Federal funding delays, complex compliance requirements, and the persistent strains of poverty and unstable housing underscored the difficult conditions organizations had to navigate. Yet this pilot year showed that with collaboration, creativity, and community leadership, progress is possible even in the face of obstacles.

SCI's first year demonstrates the power of catalytic grants to seed lasting change. By pairing funding with trust in community-led strategies, the initiative sparked visible improvements in homes, health, safety, and social connectedness... setting the stage for SCI 2.0 and beyond.





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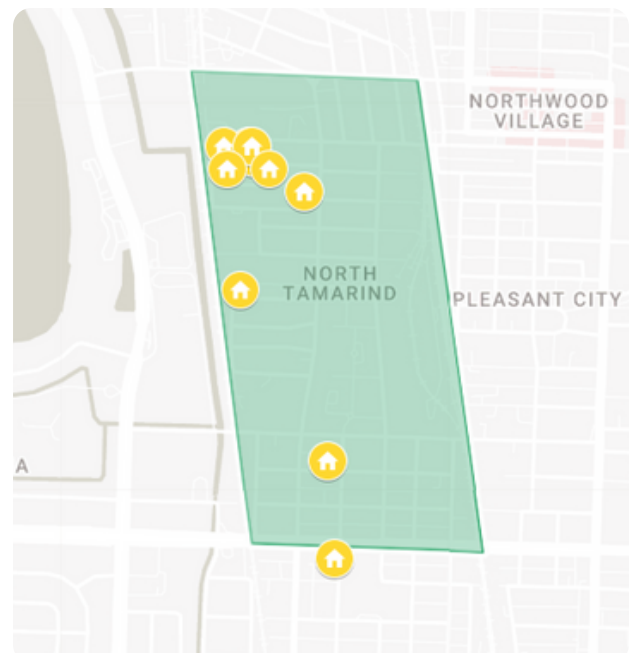


Community Partners of South Florida (CPSFL) leveraged Quantum's investment into a \$1 million HUD-Economic Development Initiative grant to rehabilitate a key commercial space in Coleman Park. Environmental and architectural planning is underway, and resident voices will help shape the design to ensure the building becomes a welcoming gateway and community hub.



Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County revitalized **11 homes** in Coleman Park and the Historic Northwest, improving safety and curb appeal while engaging local, minority-owned contractors.

A resident homeowner-led council guided project selection, and residents gained new skills through home maintenance workshops, building both pride and capacity in the neighborhoods.





Neighborhood Renaissance advanced its **Legacy Property Preservation Program**, engaging **14 homeowners** to address code violations and preserve family-owned properties. Four cases were resolved with significant lien reductions totaling almost \$400,000, while 10 cases remain active. Three code enforcement workshops with 24 participants equipped residents with knowledge to protect equity and stabilize homes.



Legal Aid Society advanced the **Heirs Property Legal Preservation Project**, opening 12 cases to resolve inherited property issues, **clearing titles on three homes** and protecting assets valued at over \$2 million. The team identified 52 heirs' properties in SCI neighborhoods, hosted estate planning workshops to equip families with wills and directives, and reached 300+ households through outreach and education. These efforts safeguard generational wealth, prevent displacement, and strengthen housing stability.





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Heart, Health, & Healing Ministries empowered **49 residents** facing chronic health challenges to improve nutrition, fitness, and overall wellness. Participants reported reductions in blood pressure, blood sugar, weight, and cholesterol, alongside increased knowledge of healthy eating and exercise. Beyond measurable health gains, the program fostered a supportive community where women built lasting bonds, shared resources, and encouraged one another through personal and family struggles. This holistic approach to health created both physical improvements and a “village” of care that continues to strengthen neighborhood well-being.





INNER CITY INNOVATORS

Inner City Innovators (ICI) **Hope Dealers Mentorship Program (HDMP)** served **61** high-risk youth through **more than 2,900 sessions**, with **100% remaining free and 98% alive** during the grant period. Over **85% reported feeling supported and more hopeful**, while many achieved milestones like graduating high school or securing jobs. Youth also engaged in 78 community events and 49 violence interruptions, strengthening both individual resilience and neighborhood safety.



"Hope Dealers changed the way I lived life. [My mentors] helped me realize I have a good purpose in life. I went from not thinking to thinking."

Ammond joined the HDMP inspired by the change in his older brother, a longtime mentee. Like many mentees, his journey to success was not without challenges. While in the HDMP, he was charged with a gun-related crime. We doubled down on our commitment to Ammond because we know that when we work with these high-risk youth, relapse is part of the process. Our goal is for them to happen less often and be less severe the longer they are in the HDMP.

Ammond has since successfully completed his probation and his charges were dropped. He focused on finishing school and graduated ahead of schedule in May of 2025. To top it off, he just started his job as a cook at Keiser University.





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U.B. Kinsey Educational & Community Center welcomed **9,720+ visitors**, launched new family learning programs, and boosted awareness of on-site services by nearly 10%. With Quantum Foundation's support, the Center advanced marketing to spotlight community offerings and resources from its three in-house nonprofit partners: Center for Child Counseling, Children's Home Society's BRIDGES, and FAU School of Nursing's Clinic.





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Pathways to Prosperity graduated **39 of 40 participants** from its Circles program, the highest retention rate to date, with **77% improving** their financial stability through increased savings, reduced debt, or higher income. Circles Leaders launched businesses, secured jobs, and advocated in neighborhood redevelopment efforts in Coleman Park, while resident-led committees deepened community engagement and leadership.





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Rose Trolley provided **7,056 rides** across SCI neighborhoods, helping residents reach grocery stores, jobs, medical care, and schools. Rider surveys showed over **96% considered the service essential**, with many saying they would miss work or struggle to access food without it. Partnerships with Friendship Missionary Baptist Church and RISE Coleman Park expanded food distribution and supported outreach efforts to assess community needs, while new investments in staff training and organizational development strengthened capacity for long-term impact.





Coleman Park: WPBgo Mobility Coalition E-bike Voucher Program



The WPBgo Mobility Coalition, with funding from the Knight Foundation, launched goRide, West Palm Beach's e-bike voucher program, in May 2025 focusing on Coleman Park, the Historic Northwest, and Pleasant City. The program was created to expand access to affordable, reliable transportation putting mobility directly into the hands of residents who need it most.



goRide's Launch in Coleman Park:

- 75 applications from Coleman Park residents
- **20 residents selected through the lottery**
- Each resident received a \$1,000 voucher plus a helmet & lock
- Orientation provided by West Palm Bikes on safe riding, charging & maintenance



Program Participation Impact in Coleman Park:

- 54% of applicants had no car at all
- 55% of households earned under \$25,000/year
- 50% ride daily | 50% ride weekly
- Riders travel 21–40 miles weekly on average
- Top uses: exercise, errands, commuting

Why It Matters

Residents shared that their e-bikes give them freedom, independence, and flexibility, transforming everyday trips into opportunities for health, connection, and access.

The initial pilot in Coleman Park and surrounding communities set the stage for citywide growth. With 500+ applications for Round 2 in downtown West Palm Beach, demand is undeniable. Coleman Park's success highlights the program's potential to scale across the city and beyond.