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Habitat for Humanity of Orange County respectfully requests a grant of \$1,800 from the Town of Carrboro's Affordable Housing Special Revenue Fund. These funds will be used to repair the home located at 116 Eugene Street in Carrboro. Work to be performed includes:

- Replacing a section of shingles on the side of the home due to a leak in the roof

This project meets the Fund's criteria of eligible uses under "i. To provide for emergency home repairs and the maintenance of properties in the affordable housing stock that are falling into disrepair." Through its Home Preservation program, Habitat seeks to do just that. Recipients of this program own affordable homes. But living on a low or fixed income can make it difficult to keep up with both critical repairs and preventative maintenance. In order to preserve affordable housing stock, Habitat offers low-cost repairs to homeowners in Orange County. Recipients pay a small fee calculated on a sliding scale, and volunteer on the project as able. If the work allows it, volunteers from the community will also help complete the project. Since 2009, Habitat has completed 101 repair projects in Orange County.

Mr. Donnie Riggsbee is 61 years old and lives in a part of Carrboro called Tin Top. Several generations of his family have lived in the house on Eugene Street, and he has lived there his entire life. He comes from a large family of twelve siblings, three of whom are deceased. Mr. Riggsbee has commented that his late sister would appreciate the work, and he keeps a sign with the names of his late parents in the front yard. Mr. Riggsbee is doing his best to preserve the home on a fixed income. He has held many different jobs during his lifetime. His favorite was the four years he spent as a nurse's aide – he really enjoyed caring for the elderly. Mr. Riggsbee has diabetes, and had a health scare a few years ago with a mild heart attack. His health care regimen includes exercising a few days a week at the Wellness Center. His passion for the elderly persists, and he has befriended many of the more senior members there. Mr. Riggsbee has a dog named Casper, and is a huge Tar Heel fan. He is incredibly warm and friendly with a great sense of humor—it is nearly impossible not to smile when you talk with him! He is extremely grateful for the opportunity to partner with Habitat to repair his home.

