



**Project Raise the Roof** works with St. Louis citizens and community leaders to prevent homelessness, energize local economy, strengthen neighborhoods, and end the decay of our City's historic structures. Through community programs focusing on education, entrepreneurship, and home ownership opportunities, we help urban families become more sustainable, productive, and informed. People over property.

### **Become A Volunteer**

We love our volunteers! Operate a booth at a community event, become an outreach specialist, help us clean up an alley, or grab a sledgehammer and join us in a demolition project to relieve some stress! If you have special skills, you may wish to assist in coordinating/teaching entrepreneurship classes or skilled trades workshops. Fill out application or contact [volunteer@projectraisetherooft.org](mailto:volunteer@projectraisetherooft.org) and tell us how you'd like to help.

### **Lead A Skilled Trades Workshop**

Many of the homes we sell are historic fixer-uppers in need of some professional care. Often, our new homeowners need a hand learning the basics of do-it-yourself home maintenance and improvement. If you're an experienced tradesperson, we would love to invite you to share your knowledge with new homeowners and their families and neighbors. We strive to build strong communities, and we believe that begins at home. Fill out application or e-mail [Natalie@projectraisetherooft.org](mailto:Natalie@projectraisetherooft.org) and tell us about your craft.

### **Contractors' Labor Trade in Exchange for Property**

We will begin partnering with skilled trades professionals and local start-up business to provide them with a property of their own in exchange for work on urgent low-income, senior, and veteran home repair projects.

### **Sponsor a Family**

Each year, hundreds of St. Louis families face losing their homes due to delinquent taxes. If the taxes are not paid in time, the property is sold at the City's auction, for the starting bid of taxes owed. Anyone is eligible to purchase the property, including developers and other private businesses. If the home does not sell, the family may be evicted by the City and the house becomes the property of the Land Reutilization Authority (LRA). Often times, these homes are occupied by fixed-income seniors, veterans, or young families who may have inherited the property from a relative who has passed. You can help keep these families in their homes by making a donation\*. PRTR educates our clients on navigating municipal procedures and to help homeowners make payment arrangements with the Collector of Revenue to become current on their back taxes. We stay in touch with our clients to ensure they fully understand the tax auction process and ensure their homes never end up on the auction block again. Contact for more info.