

County Breaks Ground on Silver Trail Subdivision

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Brunswick County applied for, and was awarded, a Community Development Block Grant from the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development in the amount of \$700,000. According to information provided by County Administrator Charlette Woolridge, the purpose of the grant is to provide homeownership opportunities for families. This grant is in support of the Brunswick County Housing Production Project, Silver Trail Subdivision, a collaborative partnership between Brunswick County Government and Bryant Stith, President of SCORE, Inc. and housing developer.

Silver Trail Subdivision will consist of 44 lots and will be developed in two phases. Phase I will consist of the construction 19 homes. Of these 19 homes, 12 will be affordable housing for first-time homebuyers and 7 homes will be available at market rate. Phase II will consist of 25 homes, all of which are available at market rate.

Community Development Block Grant funds will be utilized for the acquisition of the 12 lots and site improvement to include site grading/erosion control, landscaping, and driveways. SCORE, Inc., will develop and implement a Marketing Program for the prequalification of homebuyers. Down payment assistance will also be provided through the program to make the homes affordable. SCORE, Inc. will also provide investments for infrastructure engineering and construction of homes.

A Project Management Team has been assigned in order to ensure the successful implementation of the project. The team consists of Charlette T. Woolridge, County Administrator; Bryant Stith, SCORE, Inc.; Chris Stephenson, Executive Director, SCORE, Inc.; Leslie Sullivan, Director of Planning; David Tucker, Building Official; Gail Moody, Southside Planning District Commission; C. J. Dean, Town Manager, Town of Lawrenceville; Sam Carroll, B&B Consultants, Inc.; Todd Cage, Virginia Department of Transportation; Earl Howerton, Southside Outreach Group, Inc.; and Louise Brierre, Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development.