Brick + Beam cofounders
(Emilie, Amy, Victoria)
Prototyping of Brick + Beam in January 2015
Brick + Beam’s first public prototyping event | March 2015
Wood window repair workshop
Weatherization walkthrough class in a vacant DLBA house

Photo: Victoria Olivier
Hi! My name is **Phil Maho**

For me, rehab in Detroit is **MY JOB!**

BRICK+BEAM DETROIT

Fixer Upper Supper Club
Storytelling events
Audience at “So you want to save a house?” event

Photo: Amy Elliott Bragg
Welcome to Detroit's Rehabber Community

Brick + Beam is a community for building rehabbers of all levels. We aim to support rehab in Detroit by sharing knowledge, building talent, and providing access to the resources you need to get (or keep!) going.

Events
Regular events with practical info, hands-on classes, and fellowship.

Rehab Q&A
Ask your rehab questions and contribute your experience by answering others.

Rehab Map
Tell us what you've been working on and showcase Detroit's revival.

Resource Library
Learn from our organized collection of how-tos and reference materials.

Upcoming events
Ask a question
Brag your rehab
Browse the library
Craftsman donated tools to distribute to new homeowners.

Photo: Emilie Evans
Metro Detroit Home Expo
Saturday, May 21
10am - 4pm
Dumars Fieldhouse
State Fairgrounds, 8 Mile Road
Presented by Rehabbed & Ready
Where to, What next?
  • Organizational development
  • Continued partnership development
  • Establish programs to address specific needs
VACANT HOME TOUR

This house was once a home.
Engaging residents in utilizing historic narratives + storytelling to reframe the issue of blight...

...Connecting people to resources to address blight in their community.
COMING UP WITH THE CONCEPT
ENGAGING THE COMMUNITY
UTILIZING RESIDENT-DRIVEN RESEARCH
TOUR DAY +
OUTCOMES
TOUR
DAY
TOOLS + RESOURCE WORKSHOP
OUTCOMES

• Vacant Property Recovery Program Feedback

Since beginning VPRP promotion in Wilkinsburg in 2012: 41 vacant Wilkinsburg properties have been acquired to create affordable housing (14), side yards (9), greenspace and/or parking (14), residential rentals (3), commercial developments (1).

• Workshop Partner Feedback
OUTCOMES

We were on the tour on Saturday... we also looked at a home that is for sale by owner in Wilkinsburg. After the tour, we decided that Wilkinsburg was where we wanted to live, and we have put a bid in on the house on Coal St. Your event had a major impact on our decision to become residents of the community. We hope to participate in future events as representatives of all Wilkinsburg has to offer. Thank you!

-2015 tour attendee + current resident
OUTCOMES

Pittsburgh Community Reinvestment Group Community Development Award, May 2015
WHAT’S NEXT FOR VHT?