

# How The Green Chair Project Supports Housing Affordability in Wake County, NC

We lead a collective effort responding to our neighbors in need by sharing furnishings to create safe, nurturing, & healthy homes.

## The Need

The pandemic has exposed the ongoing need for greater access to affordable housing, especially as the City of Oaks continues to expand its roots.

## The Goal

The Green Chair Project's interventions offset housing costs to make living in Wake County more affordable.

The market value of a home furnishings, Sweeter Dreams, and last-mile package for a typical household is around **\$5,000**.

## Without TGCP, clients would...



### Go without

98% of Sweeter Dreams clients previously slept on air mattresses, floors, sofas, or shared beds



### Miss rent payments

Money saved on home furnishings and goods provided by The Green Chair Project equals 4 months' rent for low-income households



### Rely on freebies

Increases risks of pests, such as bedbugs, which can prompt landlords to evict low-income tenants



### Rent-to-Own

A complete home furnishings package would cost a client \$9,200 over time and put them at risk of repossession or credit default

In a recent survey, **more than 70%** of clients **had additional money to spend on bills** after receiving furnishings through the Green Chair Project.