



February 27, 2019

To the Anderson Community:

Our names are Trey Burns and Seth Riddley, and we are writing on behalf of the twenty-nine members of Leadership Anderson Class 35 to ask you to donate funds for construction of the very first “tiny home” in the City of Anderson.

We need your help to complete what we understand to be one of the most ambitious annual “class projects” Leadership Anderson has fielded since the Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce established the leadership development program in 1984. In partnership with The LOT Project, our class members have set out to build the very first “tiny home” in the City of Anderson. Once built, it will help individuals transition out of long-term homelessness. Even more importantly, we believe and hope this tiny home will serve as a model to inspire a community-wide movement toward the **adequate, affordable housing** desperately needed for **revitalization without gentrification** of former mill neighborhoods across Anderson County.

Our class has made incredible strides in the few short months since we met in August and since we chose this project in November: we pooled our personal resources to purchase a parcel at 308 E Street, Anderson; we hired and worked with an architect to draft plans for the tiny home; we secured the City of Anderson Chief Building Official’s formal, written approval of the plans; we have signed a Memorandum of Understanding with The LOT Project to take over the home; and we have secured a licensed general contractor to oversee the whole construction process.

We are now reaching out to the Anderson community in an aggressive campaign to raise the approximately \$77,800 needed for materials, labor, and the multitude of other itemized costs. Because Leadership Anderson is only a 10-month program, we intend for the funds to be raised by April and the tiny home to be built by our June 11th graduation date. As soon as we raise \$77,800, our general contractor will then complete the house within weeks.

There are two ways you can donate:

1. By credit card or PayPal at andersontinyhome.com – **is not** tax-deductible
2. By check made payable to “Foothills Community Foundation” with “Leadership Anderson Tiny Home Fund” in the memo line, mailed to Foothills Community Foundation, PO Box 1228, Anderson, SC 29622 – **is** tax-deductible

Thank you in advance for your contribution, and please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We will be facilitating opportunities for permanent recognition of significant contributions.

Sincerely,



Trey Burns, Class Representative
Leadership Anderson Class 35



Seth Riddley, Class Project Manager
Leadership Anderson Class 35