



Antionette Croom Home Again Spotlight

When Hurricane Matthew tore through the City of Kinston, it severely damaged Antionette Croom's home of 22 years.

It was flooded all down here. When I did get back, it was, you know, just wet. A lot of roof damage, which made water leaks, but we stayed here and endured it. You do what you have to do to survive.

In November 2019, ReBuild NC started work on Antionette's new home. In February 2020, she saw the inside for the first time.

It's beautiful! How about this, huh? I love it. I love it! It felt like I was in a dream. The entire house, I love it from the front to the back. From the grass to everything. I love it. This is going to be my bedroom, right here. I chose the colors on the inside and on the outside. The carpet, the countertops—a lot of things I got to choose. This is going to be my granddaughter's bedroom. She wants clouds on her ceiling. I don't know how I'm going to do that, but that's what she wants.

It's amazing. It feels wonderful. It already feels like home. I would just like to tell them from the bottom of my heart how thankful and grateful I am to have had them in my corner, 'cause they were awesome. They were stand-up people, I mean, just treated me like gold, they really did. And I'll never forget it.

I just thank God, you know, for allowing me to be the recipients of a new home.