

## Saving Holy Family Center

The CRA is has previously committed \$25,000.00 to the roof repair of Holy Family. The final estimates total \$90,000 for the roof and \$177,200.00 for the building stucco and permeable damage repairs.

Without both roof and exterior repairs the building in which the City and the Florida Communities Trust have invested close to \$2,000,000, the building will continue to deteriorate.

The CRA should please consider funding the entire \$90,000 roof repair as the CRA has been a participant in the discussions about roof. The CRA may elect to provide this funding predicated on the City's positive decision to fund the repair of the rest of the envelope.

All discussions about the rest of the building envelope have been presented to the City Commission.



CRA CRA &lt;cra@cityofapalachicola.com&gt;

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**Fwd: Holy Family**

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**Brenda Ash** <bash@cityofapalachicola.com>  
To: Cra Cra <cra@cityofapalachicola.com>

Thu, Jul 15, 2021 at 7:53 PM

To include in the CRA discussion.

*Brenda Ash*  
Mayor City of Apalachicola  
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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Peter and Pam <stoneoak2003@yahoo.com>  
**Date:** July 15, 2021 at 2:41:21 PM EDT  
**To:** Brenda Ash <bash@cityofapalachicola.com>  
**Subject:** Holy Family

Hello Brenda,

As chair of the CRA I would love you to consider putting a new roof on the Holy Family as soon as you can. The extensive leaking is doing more damage and I fear the repairs will be more costly if left unattended. While I realize there are many priorities competing for your attention and limited funds, this situation is critical to preserve the structure and prevent mold which could render it uninhabitable. It's kitchen, as you know, is a valuable resource to many of us.

Thanks for your attention to this matter.

Peter Gallant and Pam Richardson  
203 9th St. Apalach

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**CRA CRA** <cra@cityofapalachicola.com>  
To: Brenda Ash <bash@cityofapalachicola.com>

Thu, Jul 15, 2021 at 7:59 PM

Received, will do.  
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## CRA Funds Needed ASAP for Holy Family

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**Leslie McWilliams** <lesliemc@bellsouth.net>

Sat, Jul 17, 2021 at 4:25 PM

To: Mayor Brenda Ash <bash@cityofapalachicola.com>, Commissioner Anita Grove <agrove@cityofapalachicola.com>, Commissioner Despina George <dgeorge@cityofapalachicola.com>, Commissioner Adrienne Elliott <aelliott@cityofapalachicola.com>, "thutchinson@cityofapalachicola.com" <thutchinson@cityofapalachicola.com>, "cra@cityofapalachicola.com" <cra@cityofapalachicola.com>

Apalachicola Elder Care Community Council ("Eccc") and Holy Family are in immediate need of our help. Due to ongoing delayed maintenance issues the roof is leaking, pouring through the ceiling of one of the rooms and leaking in others including the kitchen and women's restroom. It is my understanding that on Tuesday, July 20th at 5:00 p.m. the Apalachicola CRA is meeting, and the issue of funding the long needed repairs will be discussed. I am asking your assistance in making this a funding priority.

In February 2020, the request for repairs was sent to the City explaining the need for repairs of the roof's building as soon as possible. The repairs were delayed to allow time to seek FEMA assistance which was denied as non-hurricane damage. Still nothing has been done, and the mold continues to grow while the building deteriorates even more.

ECCC is now seeking payment of the repairs by CRA funds. There is money available, and I believe it should be spent in order to maintain the Historically Designated Holy Family building for our seniors, our Hill community and the ongoing services and programs that need the space to operate.

If I may remind you of the following:

Currently 110 of our community seniors are being provided fresh meals Monday through Friday prepared in the Holy Family kitchen. Due to the leaks all food is having to be picked up or delivered by volunteers. There is no place to allow the seniors to eat together since their room is having to be used to store food until the roof can be fixed and our Senior Center fully reopened.

To my knowledge no CRA funds have ever been spent to support the buildings on the Hill, one of the largest residential sections inside the CRA district.

Holy Family is rented to families and groups to allow them a place for celebrations and meetings

Thank you for your assistance in helping us be able to reopen Holy Family as the Community and Senior Citizen Center it is supposed to be.

Leslie

Leslie B. McWilliams  
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