





**L**eamon (Lee) Allen has written and performed Bluegrass music for over 50 years. He has traveled across the United States and the world, fueled by his love of performing music. During that time, the thought of home wasn't at the forefront of his mind. However, as he's aged and settled down with his wife, Lucille, having a safe, secure home they could afford became a priority in his life.

Unfortunately, Lee and Lucille found themselves living on a fixed income and renting a house that wasn't meeting their needs. "One day," recounted Lee, "I was sitting in the living room of the old house and the wind was blowing through and I saw the kitchen floor weaving about and I realized I saw the linoleum was moving off the floor." In addition to needing repairs, snails infested the home, blue mold was rampant, and the home was incredibly cold during the winter despite the abundance of heaters.

Over the years, Fahe has worked closely with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) 502 Direct Packaging Program. Our Network's reach and expertise allow us to deploy and package the loans which allows the USDA employees to process a volume larger than they could handle on their own. It is a great example of a public/nonprofit partnership that greatly benefits everyone involved. Thanks also to our

***"I traveled the world playing music. I used to want to be anywhere in the world but home, now I don't want to be no place but home." - Lee Allen***

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extensive Network, we were able to help save the Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) from a proposed budget cut of \$900 million to \$66 million. Our advocacy work for both the 502 Direct Packaging Program and HOME has positively impacted the lives of people like Mr. Allen in both Appalachia and the rest of the United States.

Thanks to our advocacy, Mr. Allen was able to be served by Fahe Member Frontier Housing when he and his wife desperately needed a new place to live. Because of the resources that these much needed programs bring to the region, and the expertise of Fahe and its Members to connect those resources to the families that need them most, the Allens now have a beautiful home that they're grateful for every day because in their own words, "Fahe and Frontier Housing saved our lives."

# STRENGTH IN NUMBERS: *FY2015 Stats and Figures*

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People Served:  
**68,235**



People Served Since Fahe's Inception:  
**Over 300,000**



Direct Investment FY2015  
**\$68 million**



Total Historical Financial Impact  
**Over \$1.15 billion**



Jobs in the Fahe Network:  
**3,585**



## HOME PROGRAM

The Fahe Network helped to save the HOME Program from being cut from \$900 million to \$66 million. This program serves people across the entire United States in a variety of ways from new construction, to rental, to rehab and acts as an essential catalyst for utilizing other funds.

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