



# Milestones in the Town of Chapel Hill Collaborations with the Northside and Pine Knolls Neighborhoods



## 1970's

**The Town starts investing in infrastructure and substantial housing repairs in the Northside.**



## 1996

**The Town begins funding community organizations supporting Northside and Pine Knolls.**



## 2002

**Midway Business Center opens.**  
The Town helps fund Chapel Hill's first small business incubator. The Center is located in Midway, the historically Black Business district connecting Chapel Hill and Carrboro.



## 2004

**The Town establishes the Northside Neighborhood Conservation District.**  
Encourages development similar to the majority of neighborhood.



## 2006

**The Town establishes the Pine Knolls Neighborhood Conservation District.**  
Encourages development similar to the majority of neighborhood.



## 2011

**The Town passes a Temporary Development Moratorium in Northside & Pine Knolls.**  
Allows residents and the Town to jointly design an action plan to address incompatible development.



## 2012 - present

**The Town and community organizations implement the Northside and Pine Knolls Community Plan.**  
Successes include:

- Creation of a home rehabilitation program to assist longtime homeowners.
- Establishment of local affordable housing funding source.
- Creation of Northside Neighborhood Gateway.
- E-newsletter shared to over 23,000 UNC students living off campus.



## 2017

**Pine Knolls is added to the Northside Neighborhood Initiative.**

## 1941

**Hargraves Community Center is constructed.**  
Formerly called the Negro Community Center and the Robeson Street Center, it was renamed in 1973 to honor a former Parks and Recreation Commission member. One famous visitor to Hargraves was Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in 1960.



## 1990

**Northside is listed as a Conservation Area in the Chapel Hill Land Use Plan.**  
For the first time, the white population is about equal to the African American population in Northside.



## 1999

**The Chapel Hill Comprehensive Plan Working Group identifies Northside as focus area.**



## 2003

**The Town adopts new zoning regulations and ordinances to ease noise and traffic.**



## 2004 - present

**The Good Neighbor Initiative begins.**  
The Town partners with UNC and community organizations to promote positive living experiences in neighborhoods where students and non-student residents live in close proximity.



## 2006 - 2011

**In Northside & Pine Knolls, modest single-family homes continue to be converted to larger rental properties.**



## 2012

**The Town adopts the Northside and Pine Knolls Community Plan.**  
Includes new zoning regulations to encourage compatible development and an action plan to address other community issues.



## 2013

**Northside Housing Market Action Plan developed.**  
Initiated by Self Help Credit Union and The Marian Cheek Jackson Center, the Town assists in developing a 5-year action plan to change Northside's housing market from majority student rentals to a diverse, multi-generational neighborhood.



## 2015 - present

**Northside Neighborhood Initiative established.**  
The Town provides funds to support the Northside and Pine Knolls land bank. Successes include:

- Over 30+ housing units collaboratively developed for affordable housing.
- For the first time since the 1980s, Northside sees a rise in its African American population

