Frezelle Herring Home Again Spotlight

When Hurricane Matthew hit Robeson County, Frezelle Herring's home was destroyed and her life forever changed.

It’s, uh, it’s an experience I don’t wish for anyone to have to go through because it changes your whole personality. And the community, with us being a small town, we didn’t have too many sources that could help us. But thank God Rebuild.

Through the state’s ReBuild NC program, her home was reconstructed and she was connected to other organizations that helped with unmet needs.

To me, it’s the grace of God. I’ve been away for three years and didn’t know if I’d be able to come back because there were a lot of doors closed. Running out of money, and ReBuild took my application and, thank God, here I am, sitting on my porch.

It’s pretty exciting, always, to see a client get back in their home and meet them, the many people who are a part of it. They no longer become the people you just work with, um, it’s, it’s really, um, a change of life, and we get to see a way where seemingly there was no way, and we all get to giggle about it and give God a high five.

ReBuild NC is assisting storm survivors throughout areas impacted by Hurricane Matthew.

Oh, I think that’s why everyone’s in this business is to be able to come in here and help out the people in need after these storms. Umm, a lot of times people just don’t know where to turn. Umm, especially if they don’t have insurance.

And so, a lot of these programs is what people need to get back on their feet. It takes a village. There is not one entity that can say, “We did this.” It takes all of us. It’s all of us. All of us came together, as a unit, as a community, as one, and said we want to help our neighbor.

When you lose everything you have, and then got tied up in another flood at the place I was at. So, hey, I’m just happy and I give God all the praise.