



Big Family, Blessed Home

In honor of our 20th Anniversary, we asked homeowners to share their homeownership stories. The following was submitted by homeowner, Alexis Grounds:

“When we envisioned a family growing in our three-plus bedroom home we had *no* idea how much family we bargained for! We purchased our NCLT home in 2001, just four of us.

By 2004, baby number four was here; we were bulging at the seams. By 2006, we had a family of seven! Enter: the trampoline, a playground and a swimming pool. Not to mention flower gardens, fruit bushes, square foot gardens to supply fresh veggies, three apple trees and jelly, juice and wreaths from our Niagara grapes.

This past year has brought us to an amazing time in our lives; twins! Before their arrival we *scrambled* to prepare. *Now* we're *bursting* at the seams. This year while they crawl amongst our feet we're remodeling our kitchen to fit our large family.

One thing's certain; our house has *never* felt so loved, so hugged, so adorned (not to mention scribbled on) in its 91+ years of life. Our Land Trust home doesn't creak any longer with the pitter-patter of little feet, *it groans*. But, it's our blessed home. It's our lovely, stretched, "retrofitted" home and we love it!”



Alexis and her family in their Land Trust Home