

housing stock. It was determined that these types of improvements could help create new affordable housing in single and multi-family developments and downtown as a part of mixed-use development and commercial adaptive reuse projects.

Goals, Objectives, and Strategies

The City of Valdosta funds owner-occupied housing rehabilitation through direct loans and grants to low-and-moderate-income homeowners for the rehabilitation of single-family residential structures. The City also funds an emergency home repair program, minor repair program, major repair program, demolition and lead paint abatement, in an attempt to maintain housing stock, so that non-homeless persons with special needs can continue to reside in their own homes. The City's programs work with qualified homeowners to address pressing issues that arise, such as roof leaks or plumbing failures, and more extensive rehabilitation needed to bring a home completely up to current building code. The City of Valdosta does not directly fund programs that address supportive service needs of non-homeless special needs populations nor does the City provide housing for the homeless.