



BEFORE

Helping Communities, One House at a Time

Cindy Washington faced more than one challenge. She had moved to the Alpine Lakes Development in Henryville, Pennsylvania to live with her ailing mother, Alice. Alice and Cindy purchased the home together, and they always paid their mortgage on time. But when Alice passed away, Cindy could no longer make the mortgage payments. After struggling for a time, Cindy fell into foreclosure and she moved back to Florida to live with her daughter.

What made matters even worse for Cindy is that four males decided to make the vacant Henryville house their home. The behavior of these four individuals created fear amongst their newfound neighbors.

Les Rice, the owner of Les Rice Contracting, stated, "The neighbor next door was scared to death of the people who were staying there, because it was well known that they were dealing drugs. According to the neighbors, from 12:00 a.m. to 4:00 a.m. there was regular traffic out front...there were parties there all night, loud music, and the neighbors were afraid to call the cops."



AFTER

Cindy called Significa asking for help. She was a thousand miles away. She couldn't sell the house because she owed too much. There was toxic mold spreading inside the property. And she had four unwelcome individuals staying in her vacant house.

Significa negotiated with Cindy's lender to lower the amount that she owed. Significa personnel went to the house on several occasions to speak with the four individuals. Significa eventually convinced the four to leave the property, but those individuals left behind a mountain of garbage and two abandoned vehicles.

Significa then hired Les Rice Contracting to clean out the trash, eradicate the mold, improve the landscaping, and renovate the interior. As the renovation was being completed, Rice stated, "The neighbors couldn't believe what we've done...The neighbors, the homeowner's association, and the Pocono Regional Police were all impressed with how Significa renovated the house and property. People feel safer."