Ashford House 241 Hoskins Avenue Drive, Charlotte



Of the two identified examples of African American millworker housing in Charlotte, the Ashford House is the best and most intact. The house is part of the Hoskins Cotton Mill Village. The mill was one of the area's only cotton mills that employed both white and black workers. Constructed in 1903 identically to the 80 houses for white workers, all black worker housing was separately located behind the mill near the railroad. A North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office Study List property since 2002, the Ashford house has remained in the owner's family for four generations. The contiguous 0.505-acre parcel to the north of the house (tax parcel 06306102) is historically associated with the house, as it supported the family garden for decades.



