

habitat spring 2018 happenings



2017 annual report

We celebrated our 30th anniversary in 2017. The stats and stories in this report represent the support we received from the community.

We hope that you feel inspired to help us build on this success and be a part of the great partnership Cleveland Habitat has with connecting families to affordable homeownership opportunities.

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As members of our local communities, part of the human family and supporters of affordable homeownership in Cleveland, we all can help families achieve stability, self-reliance and strength.

Every hour a volunteer gives helps a family begin their journey to homeownership. **Every child** who grows up in a healthy home has a better chance to succeed in school. **Every donor** who graciously gives us the gift of money or items from their home helps parents leave a positive legacy for their children. **Everyone** makes a difference.

note from our board chair & president/ceo

Dear Friends,

Thanks to our thousands of supporters who put their love and commitment into action, every year more of our future homeowners gain the strength and confidence to build better futures on the foundation of safe, healthy and affordable homes.

Collectively, our work is revitalizing communities in Cleveland. Last year, we rehabbed 28 homes and completed a record 111 spruce up projects for existing residents. We were also recipients of our largest financial gift - \$875,000 - from the Cleveland Cavaliers. This record gift is helping us complete our 100 homes campaign, and also encourages others in Cuyahoga County to support our work.

For thousands of Cleveland families the dream of both stable housing and homeownership is still just that - a dream. With your continued support, we will turn dreams into reality.

Bryan Vurh-Brvan Dardis

Board Chair

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\$61,050 "Everything I've been waiting for; somebody gave me an average mortgage amount opportunity and I'm just so grateful for that."

Connie, Habitat Homeowner

"It feels like a fresh start, a new beginning, a new outlook...just like turning over a new leaf."

Marketta, Future Habitat Homeowner

\$427 average monthly payment (taxes and

insurance incl.)

"I want to own my own home because it will give us stability and show my children that it is attainable.

Stability for my children is very important to me — I want my children to know tha<mark>t t</mark>his house is theirs and a place where they can have peace — place where we can start our own traditions."



what affordable **homeownership** means

"What I'm looking forward to most about owning my own home is saving. No rent increase every year. Soon it will all be mine — having family time and cookouts."

Michelle, *Future Habitat Homeowner*

join us for FUN DONUTS **«**music YAGA dogs

find out how on page 5



\$74,800

average appraised

value

every faith

Faith Partners, Thrivent Financial to Fully-Rehab Three Houses in 2018

Can your church provide prayers, people and/or funding for a Habitat faith partner project? We need your help! Cleveland Habitat, local churches and Thrivent Financial are partnering to build THREE homes this year.

(1) Faith Build Project, Sponsored by Thrivent Financial



For the first time, Thrivent is sponsoring a *Faith Build* in Cleveland. The sponsorship covers half of the rehab cost for the home (\$37,500). Cleveland Habitat is then challenged to raise the remaining funding through Christian churches.

Thrivent helps people live generously and have fulfilling lives through fiscal responsibility. They believe we are called to be good stewards of our time, talent and treasure. Through the *Faith Build*, Thrivent's mission comes to life in a meaningful and tangible way.

The Faith Build home is being fully-rehabbed in the Buckeye neighborhood for a family of 6.

Thank you to St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran, Church of the Gesu, Buckeye-Shaker Faith Coalition, Strongsville UMC, and the Cuyahoga County Land Bank, who have committed early support for this project.

(2) Traditional Build Project, Sponsored by Thrivent Financial

Thrivent is also sponsoring half of a home (\$37,500) on Lardet Avenue in Buckeye. To help fundraise for this home, join us at this year's Habitat 5K on June 16th (page 5).

Cleveland Habitat and Thrivent's partnership is powered by faith—and a passion to build stronger families, churches and communities. Since our partnership in 2015, we have completed 16 homes together, helping 16 families have stable foundations. In 2018, we will complete our 17th and 18th house.



(3) Apostles Build Project, Sponsored by Faith Partners

Since 2015, 30 churches have come together to help fully rehab 6 houses and in April, work will begin on the 7th. The project brings faith partners together to provide a portion of the funding, volunteers and prayer support to fully-rehab a home. All are welcome at the table.

The future homeowner is a single mom with two young sons. The house is projected to be completed by October.

Want to partner in 2018 or plan for 2019? Contact Kim Pride at kpride@clevelandhabitat.org.

"By wisdom a house is built, and through understanding it is established; through knowledge, its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures." Proverbs 24; 3-4.

2018 apostles build faith partners

Brecksville United Methodist Church Church of St. Dominic Church of the Holy Angels Fairmount Presbyterian Church Lord of Life Lutheran Church **Old Stone Church** Parma-South Presbyterian Church **Plymouth Church United Church of Christ** St. Basil the Great St. Joseph Catholic Church St. Mark Church-West Park St. Mary of the Falls **Strongsville United Methodist Church** The Church of the Covenant The Church of the Western Reserve **The United Methodist Church of Chagrin Falls**

every home

Beginning the journey to affordable homeownership requires courage — and something better. Each Cleveland Habitat homeowner works hard to complete their financial education and perform their sweat equity volunteer hours, and it's their commitment and resilience that carries them through to their destination: a home of their own, one they helped build. "This house will mean everything. It will mean stability. It will mean a foundation. This means the world to me that we will have our own house to pass down from generation to generation. This is a legacy."

Karmen Future Habitat Homeowner





Home Repair Resource Center and Habitat Hold Power Tools Safety and Demonstation Clinic

On March 20th, Habitat homeowners, future homeowners and family members of homeowners participated in an exciting and interactive homeowner educational workshop in partnership with instructors from the Home Repair Resource Center.

Participants learned safety, proper usage of various power tools and were able to take part in live demos. There were stations with small groups and each began with a safety overview, equipment discussion and lastly a demonstration. Then participants were able to put their new knowledge to the test and try it out for themselves.

Jessica Morrison, Family Programs Manager stated, "many of our future homeowners enter our program with limited experience with power tools and with how you can use them to make repairs. We are grateful to the Home Repair Resource Center for showing several families how they can save money by making repairs on their own and how to safely use the tools." She added, " it was great to see people who have owned our homes also attend. They continually have a desire for new knowledge and a commitment to keeping their house safe."

Youth Construction Training Pilot Project Launches In April

Cleveland Habitat is partnering with Greater Cleveland Boys & Girls Club and Youth Opportunities Unlimited (YOU) to train a group of 16-18 year olds in basic construction principles to fully rehab two abandoned houses on Cleveland's east side.

"This nnovative program could serve as a national model," said John Habat, President/CEO. "We believe the partnership of Habitat with Boys & Girls Club and YOU will maximize the opportunity for success – not only in fully rehabbing two houses, but also in exposing 16-20 youth to an in-demand career in construction."

Other partners, such as Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc., and Home Depot, are also playing significant roles. There are many other aspects to this unique educational initiative. Look for complete details in our July Habitat Happenings (e-newsletter) and on clevelandhabitat.org





Fill out our online pre-app at clevelandhabitat.org/apply

This easy-to-use form can be filled out in less than 5 minutes and is accessible on any computer, tablet or smart phone.

Print an application from our website and mail it back to us

Download and print from website, fill out and mail. You can also pick up an application at our W110th St offices during normal business hours

habitat 5k walk•run•mosey







June 16, 2018 Lower Edgewater Park

The 17th Annual Habitat 5K Walk-Run-Mosey is a fundraiser for the \$37,500 needed to rehab a home in the Buckeye neighborhood.

Thrivent Financial has donated \$37,500 to cover 1/2 of the cost to fully-rehab the house. Help us raise the other half by joining us at the event.

Runners and walkers can show off their skills in the full 5k route at Edgewater. Those who prefer to mosey can participate in a 1-mile fun walk.

schedule

8:30 am	Register and Enjoy the Fun	
	T-Shirt decorating	
	Coffee drinking, donut eating	
	Activities for everyone	
9:45 am	Warm-up and Contest	
	Enter decorated t-shirt	
10:00 am	Walk Kick-off and Prayer	
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Meet at the finish line for a post-walk rally; light refreshments provided, feel free to bring a picnic lunch.



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■ join ■ sponsor ■ make a team ■ volunteer

register online (free) cleHABITATwalk.org

every hour

Are you...

RETIRED and looking to join a volunteer community that will allow you to serve others?

A STUDENT needing volunteer hours for graduation or simply looking to serve the community in which you go to school?

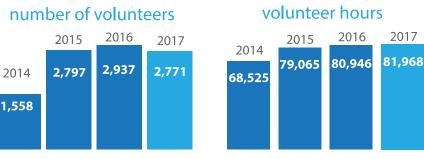
A BUSINESS looking for a non-profit partner to strengthen your staff's team building skills?

LOOKING to connect with your local community to support affordable housing opportunities for families in Cleveland

...then we are looking for YOU!

- In our ReStores
- In our office
- On our construction sites At our special events





<u>spring</u> cleaning?

Spring Cleaning is HERE! The nice weather promotes a sense of renewed vigor, and soon it is out with the old and in with the new! But wait, what about all of those old items? Have you stopped to think about what to do with them?

Instead of discarding them or leaving them in your garage for another year, how about an alternative option: donate them to a Greater Cleveland Habitat for Humanity ReStore.

ReStore is a nonprofit discount home improvement store that sells new and gently used furniture, appliances, home accessories, building materials and more to the public.

We have ReStore locations at 2110 W. 110th St. in Cleveland and 4601 Northfield Rd. in North Randall. We are open Tuesday through Saturday from 10am-4pm (with extended hours on Tuesday's and Thursday's beginning May 15th). Locations have on-site donation centers during store hours, where staff and volunteers will help you unload your vehicle and provide you with a tax receipt.



EXTENDED 🕑 **ReStore HOURS!**

tuesday's and thursday's



tuesday	10а - бр
wednesday	10a - 4p
thursday	10a - 6p
friday	10a - 4p
saturday	10a - 4p

what **we need**:

Furniture Countertops Flooring Appliances Lighting Plumbina Cabinets Hardware Tools

Housewares

how **you can help**:

1. Donate at our ReStores 2. Call 216.429.3631 3. Request Pick-Up Online

your donation:

1. Supports affordable homeownership 2. Protects our environment 3. Is tax-deductible

directions:

5. Be creative

1. Sand the door and end

2. Screw the end table to the

bottom of the door and

secure with wood glue

4. Screw on mirror, hooks, etc.

3. Paint the door/end table

table to prepare for painting

diy: chandelier planter

materials:

- chandelier (ReStore)
- terra cotta pots and saucers or tea cups and saucers (ReStore)
- spray paint
- waterproof glue
- flowers, plants
- moisture control potting mix
- "S" hook for hanging



directions:

- 1. Slide off the plastic 'candle' holders and remove all electrical/wiring from the chandelier
- 2. Attach saucers with glue (raise them for drainage)
- 3. Spray paint
- 4. Plant flowers
- 5. Enjoy!



diy: upcycled door hall tree

materials:

- door (ReStore)
- end table (ReStore)
- mirror (ReStore)
- paint (chalk is preferred)
- wood glue
- screws, drill (ReStore)
- hanging hooks







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community builder \$500,000+



neighborhood revitalizer \$150,000+

Anonymous



home builder \$65,000+



foundation builder \$25,000+

Bank of America **Enterprise Community Partners** Habitat for Humanity of Ohio - OHFA

cornerstone builder \$10,000+

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team builder \$2,500+

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\$419,548

