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3 Reasons to Shop ReStore Online

The new Summit County Online ReStore is open and offers you new ways to shop.

The Summit County ReStore is now selling a limited number of items on our online store. Online shopping offers you new opportunities to shop great items from home. Here are the top 3 reasons you need to check out our new online store and check back weekly!



It's Easy

Avoid the drive and simply shop from the convenience of home. You can quickly browse some of the newest and greatest ReStore items each week and actually buy them! We always have given a weekly preview of new ReStore items through our weekly E-Newsletter and Facebook posts but the online store offers the opportunity to purchase these items with the click of a button.



Early Access Shopping

You have the opportunity to purchase items BEFORE the store is open to the public on Wednesday morning. As you all know, each week ReStore items are sold first come first serve in-store when the doors open Wednesday at 8 AM. Now, you don't have to wait for the store to open on Wednesday morning, you have early access online shopping every Tuesday from noon to midnight on a dozen select items each week.





New Way to Support

If you've not been able to shop Summit County ReStore recently, the online store is a new way you can support our mission. Each sale on our online ReStore supports our programming in Summit County. An online ReStore sale builds hope in your community. We are excited to start our 2021 build season and need your support to continue to build affordable housing. Check out our build updates on the next page to see your donations at work in Ellet, Cascade Valley, Goodyear Heights, and Firestone Park.

Open every Tuesday from Noon until Midnight at hfhsummitcounty.org/shop-online-ReStore







Thank You



As we start new builds with outdoor projects, we were excited to invite build site volunteers back in April! We prioritize your safety and will continue to require the below precautions.

- · Face Coverings
- Groups of 7 Volunteers or Less Only
- · Outside Projects Only Allowing Social Distancing
- · Hand Sanitizer On-Site

Contact Us to Schedule Today Roberta Dorkoff, Volunteer Manager

330.745.7734 x211 robertad@hfhsummitcounty.org



Thank You













Tim's Tip

"If you get interrupted while painting, dip your brush and roller in paint to make sure they are wet. Wrap plastic around them individually and tape shut. They'll last about a week. Take off the plastic and finish painting where you left off."

Last Two Home Dedications Close Our East Avenue Project

We celebrated the last two home dedications of our East Avenue project on Friday, April 16th. We invite you all to join the celebration virtually by viewing and sharing the two videos showcasing the new homes of the Burnett and Tamang Families. Though we weren't able to invite supporters to witness these families become homeowners, we hope you all take a moment of prayer to bless Joseph, Darlene, Buddha, and Hari on this new exciting chapter of their lives.

These last two home dedications complete our East Avenue build project. We are proud to have successfully built our first eight home development. It definitely came with many challenges, including a worldwide pandemic, but we are so thankful for all the support we have had from the community. We have worked with 705 volunteers who donated over 8,300 hours on the build site.

As this project ends, new projects are already underway. Volunteers have been welcomed back to the worksite to assist with our next 4 home builds. We look forward to more multi-home build projects and growth opportunities in the future. We are blessed to help more and more families achieve homeownership in Summit County.







View our channel: Habitat for Humanity of Summit County www.youtube.com/channel/UCQ2AH1YF0QMy5BMTw6BYL-w

East Avenue Build Project block party June 16th, 2021 from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM Parking Lot of Innes Middle School at 1999 East Ave, Akron

Celebrate With Us!

Join us in celebrating the completion of Habitat for Humanity of Summit County's first multi-home development on East Avenue. Volunteers, Homeowners, Sponsors, and Donors are all invited to congratulate our 8 families on achieving homeownership while enjoying a light lunch.





Habitat Family Cookbook

Do you like to cook? Do you have a funny or heartwarming memory to share about becoming a homeowner with Habitat for Humanity or working as a volunteer? Do you have pictures that help to tell your Habitat story?

The current Partner Families are working on a special project. We are creating a cookbook to help tell the story of homeownership with Habitat for Humanity and we need help from anyone who would be willing to contribute.

We are collecting recipes from Partner families, homeowners, employees, board members, and loyal volunteers. The recipe book will have appetizers, breakfast, lunch, dinner, sides, breads and rolls, soups and salads, and canning recipes. Between each section we would like to include some pictures and stories. The stories may be funny, something that warms your heart, or what Habitat means to you. Multiple recipes, stories and pictures are welcome.

We are hoping to have our cookbook ready for production by fall so that we are able to sell it in the ReStore. My favorite cookbooks in my collection at home are those that remind me of special moments or memories. A cookbook that has a purpose or meaning. I believe our cookbook will also have an impact on people as Habitat has impacted me.

So, you may be asking how can I help with this project? We recently dedicated a home. When I was at the build site, there was a beam with a saying written. It said, "Love built these walls. Let love fill each room". Seeing that written warmed my heart and in my opinion speaks to what Habitat means to me. Do you have a saying, experience, or funny story that would allow others to know the message or meaning of Habitat to you? Do you have a recipe you would like to share with others?

Do you have a picture you would like to share of your experience with Habitat? If you would be willing to share one of these, please email them to me so that you can share the experience of Habitat with others. Please email recipes to Kimk@hfhsummitcounty.org. Thank you in advance for your help with this project.



Kim Kerr, Family Services Manager

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Save the Date for Our 2021 Annual Fundraising Events:

'Home in One' Golf Outing

Monday, July 26th, 2021 Gleneagles Golf Club

www.hfhsummitcounty.org/golfouting/

THE COLUMN TWO IS NOT THE OWNER.





Build In Style Women's Fashion Fundraising and Networking Event

Tuesday, September 14th, 2021 Summit County ReStore

www.hfhsummitcounty.org/buildinstyle/







New Board Member Highlight:

Kimberly Irvin-Lee, MA, CBA Senior Director, Entrepreneurship Empowerment Center

Kimberly A. Irvin-Lee is the Senior Director of the Entrepreneurship Empowerment Center and Regional Director of the Minority Business Assistance Center (MBAC) at the Akron Urban League. In her role, she assists Ohio small, minority-owned and socially and economically disadvantaged businesses with state certifications, government contract opportunities, and orchestrates necessary relationships that encourage business growth and development.

Prior to her current role, Irvin-Lee started her career as a Business Counselor within the MBAC, and also the Director of the Connect Your Community computer training program, where she implemented and facilitated the AUL Construction Apprenticeship Program and the Construction Training Program.

Irvin-Lee is an active member in her community supporting the United Way Leadership Giving Campaign and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) through cultural and civic engagement. She has participated on several committees within the Akron Urban League along with local partner organizations, she serves on the Advisory Board for the Women's Network Leadership Institute, the Stark County Minority Business Association. A previous Treasurer on the Board of Directors for Info Line Akron and has previously served on the Board of Directors for Heart to Heart Communications.

Kimberly Irvin-Lee earned her Master's & Bachelor's Degree, respectively, from Malone University. She has 14 years' experience in accounting, with an Associate's Degree in Accounting Technology. An Akron native, Irvin-Lee owns a small business in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio and enjoys traveling, working with youth and spending time with her husband, Rex, 6 children, 14 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren, family and friends.



Welcome 2021 Board Members

New Board Members:

Kimberly Irvin-Lee Carla Sibley Lorie Rhine

Returning for Board Service Again:

Marie Brilmyer
Michelle Molinet
Patrick Miller
Thomas Orcutt
Jake Frego
Michele Cicciari
Annie McFadden

Reverend Ron Shu Tim Ziga Dave Woodburn John Gruneich Anthony Vacanti Mary Verstraete Brian Bender Pastor Mark Frey John Nauer Michael Clark David Oeschger Michelle Carano Lynda Nowak



Partner Family Corner

Interested in building a home with Habitat for Humanity?

Learn more and apply here: www.hfhsummitcounty.org/about-habitat-for-humanity/programs/apply-for-a-habitat-home/

Homeowner Education Classes are ONLY for partner families and Habitat homeowners. If you plan on attending, please RSVP to Roberta at 330-745-7734 ext. 211.

Upcoming Partner Family Classes

May 5th: Realtor - Why Choose Homeownership and

How to Keep Your Home's Value

May 8th: Saturday Class - Home Maintenance Module 1

May 19th: Budgets, Goal Setting, & Credit Reports

May 22nd: Saturday Class - Family Build Day



Habitat in the News

Rochelle talked with WCUE, Cuyahoga Falls, about our work in Summit County. Help us reach new audiences by listening and sharing here

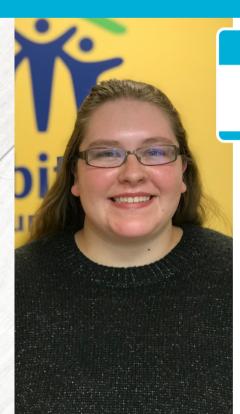
https://www.hfhsummitcounty.org/2021/04/14/family-radio-interviews/



Arhaus filmed a video highlighting our work in the community and how their recent partnership with ReStore donations supported our programming. Watch, like and share here:

https://www.hfhsummitcounty.org/2021/04/15/5769/

New Staff Highlight: Neighborhood Network Revitalization Coordinator



HELLO my name is

Megan

"Home means quality time with my loved ones."

Favorite thing about working at Habitat for Humanity of Summit County: Meeting new people and learning about more resources in the Akron Area.

Fun Fact: I am learning how to roller skate!

Daily Motivation: I want to help people in my community, and through my work and other activities, I get to do that!

Bucket List Item: To go to New Orleans - I had almost gone in 2020 but COVID happened. I'll get there one day!



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Thank you for your support!



We believe in building up our community. Here are resources available for you to support the community, as well as support that is available from the community for you.

Have something else you'd like to add?

Submit your information to Kayla at kaylac@hfhsummitcounty.org



Crafty Mart Launch

Crafty Mart is hosting the first outdoor market in over a year! Participating vendors will include those going through their educational program, Maker Sessions Beginner Maker Tracker where makers learn how to turn a hobby into a successful business at the Market. There will be music, a food truck, a lemonade stand, all the bells and whistles that make the market a fun destination. Masks are required and all COVID safety protocols will be in place. Shop local small businesses! https://www.craftymart.org/





Free Financial Educational Resources

Financial education is important and not always prioritized. Charles Schwab offers you help to learn the skills needed to achieve financial freedom. Schwab MoneyWise® guides you in creating budgets, saving and investing your money, managing debt, and achieving your life goals. All these FREE resources offered through the Charles Schwab Foundation can be accessed here: https://www.schwabmoneywise.com/public/moneywise/home



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Always Open to the Public Wednesday - Friday 8AM-6PM Saturday 8AM-4PM



Schedule a Free Donation Pick Up

in Summit County

Fill out the online form at hfhsummitcounty.org/restore/
Donations MUST be in a garage or outdoors for a no-contact pick up due to COVID-19 precautions

Donation Drop Offs Accepted: Monday & Tuesday 8AM-3:30PM

Wednesday - Friday 8AM-6PM Saturday 8AM-4PM

New: Latex Paint Recycling

Safely recycle your latex paint at the Summit County ReStore. Drop off during regular ReStore business hours, Wednesday thru Friday 8AM to 6PM and Saturday 8AM to 4PM.

\$1 per gallon

\$2 per 5 gallon bucket

*LATEX ONLY – we cannot accept stains or any oil based paints





Don't forget to further your support for real **change** in Summit County by rounding up your ReStore purchase at the register. **Thank you for supporting our programs in Summit County!**

#shop #save #support

\$10 OFF \$30

Expires: 12/31/2021

Excludes NEW items and Arhaus furniture. Excludes all online items. Cannot be combined with any other promotions. One per customer. Not valid beyond expiration date. Must show coupon at checkout to receive discount. Some exclusions may apply.



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