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Incredible Full Kitchen Remodel for under \$3,000

A beautiful kitchen remodel is something we all dream about but the high cost is an obstacle for many homeowners. Kitchen remodels add great resale value to your home but only if you are able to afford the big project. Did you know ReStore sells individual and sets of cabinets priced at 50-90% off the estimated retail value?

ReStore shopper, Cristen had been waiting for the opportunity to remodel her outdated kitchen for years. She was excited to find a set of updated cabinets during our July 4th 50% off sale. Thanks to the deep discount she found at ReStore, she was able to complete her entire remodel project for under \$3,000. After seeing her photos, we knew we had to share her story with you.

"We purchased the set of cabinets and sink when ReStore had their 4th of July sale. We had been wanting to redo our kitchen for years but the expense was too high! All but one of the cabinets in the set fit in our kitchen. I wish I could thank the person who donated them and the ReStore staff member, Dawn for helping load all of them. This project has changed our home and we learned so much!"



Thank you volunteers!

Thank you to all your volunteers who helped out at our build sites throughout August! We are able to make a difference in the Summit County community because of your time, generosity, and support!

Take the first step in helping to make a family's dream of homeownership come true and volunteer with us!

To learn more visit our website at www.hfhsummitcounty.org/joinus/volunteer/



Energy Costs

By: Kim Kerr, Family Services Manager and QLO

Children have started back to school, days are getting shorter, nights are getting cooler, and we have reached the Labor Day holiday. Fall is in the air. With prices seeming to be increasing in so many ways, it may be helpful to think about lowering energy costs.

There is a program called PIPP Plus (Percentage of Income Payment Plan) that is a "payment arrangement to help eligible electric and natural gas customers pay their utility bills". PIPP plus customers pay 5 % of their monthly income for their gas bill and 5% of their monthly income for their electric bill. If their home is all electric, they pay 10% of their monthly income. The minimum payment is \$10.00. The balance of your utility bill is subsidized by the state of Ohio. Both homeowners and renters are eligible for assistance. The Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) is a federally funded program that provides eligible Ohioans assistance with their energy bills.

In order to qualify for PIPP Plus, customers need to be at or below 175% of the federal poverty level. Customers need an active utility account in their name and must apply for the program. In order to apply, customers should schedule an appointment with the Community Action Akron Summit. The website is www.ca-akron.org. Applicants need to have a photo ID, a list of all household members, copies of your most recent utility bills and proof of income for all adult household members.

If approved, customers pay their full PIPP Plus payment each month by the due date. To remain on PIPP Plus, customers must make on-time payments monthly, report any changes in income or household size within 30 days and reverify eligibility annually. The reverify information can be completed online at www.energyhelp.ohio.gov, in person at the Community Action facility, or by completing an Energy Assistance application and sending it through the mail. Mailed applications must include proof of income. The process can take up to 12 weeks.

PIPP Plus customers can be dropped for nonpayment or failure to re-verify. If you no longer meet the eligibility requirements, there is a graduate PIPP Plus plan that helps customers transition to regular utility payments.

With processing of applications taking 12 weeks, this is a great time to apply. Affordable bills make facing the upcoming fall and winter a beautiful time of year.

https://development.ohio.gov/individual/energy-assistance/2-percentage-of-income-payment-planplus#:-:text=Who%20is%20eligible%20for%20PIPP,are%20eligible%20for%20the%20program. https://www.benefits.gov/benefit/1563



Goodyear Hts. Build with James & his daughter



Lakemore Build with **Dave**



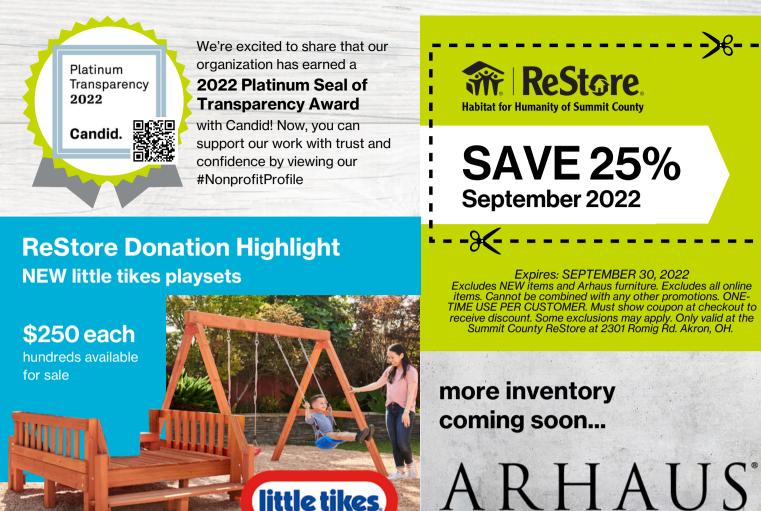
Lakemore Build with Cheyenne & her family

Barberton Build with Shalyn & her family



You Are Building 4 Homes

Your donations and volunteer time are helping build these four homes for local families in Summit County. Continue to support these builds and provide affordable housing for deserving families!



little tikes,

sewing table flipped to fresh drink station

One item we often see in the ReStore is old sewing machine tables. These tables are priced at \$20-30 each making this a great affordable project.

Turn that outdated sewing machine table into a fun lemonade bar for a kid's party or a mixed drink bar for a football game. Follow the link for more project details.

Source: https://www.allthingsthrifty.com/ice-cubes-in-my-nightstand/



Rochelle celebrates with Future Homeowners Pasang and Sushmita with their son, Reyansh.



Board President Patrick Miller, Mayor Don Walters, Future Homeowners and Rochelle break ground at the site.

Groundbreaking Event in Cuyahoga Falls with Mayor Walters

We celebrated the groundbreaking of a new home in Cuyahoga Falls with future homeowners Pasang and Sushmita. This is Habitat's 223rd home, a significant step forward towards the mission to build affordable housing for deserving families in Summit County.

Cuyahoga Falls Mayor Don Walters attended this groundbreaking event. Habitat's last home built in Cuyahoga Falls was in 2019 so Mayor Walters is excited to have Habitat building with his residents. "We are grateful for all of the incredible work that Habitat for Humanity and volunteers are doing in our community and we cannot wait to welcome Pasang, Sushmita, and Reyansh home to Cuyahoga Falls," stated Mayor Don Walters. "We are proud of our partnership with Habitat for Humanity as we continue to bring affordable homes to our city through the use of federal Community Development Block Grant funding that is provided to the city by the Department of Housing and Urban Development."

Build In Style women's fashion fundraising event

Tuesday, October 11, 2022 from 4 PM - 7 PM at ReStore

Ladies, join us!

empowering women to help families build strength, stability and independence

- fashion show
- delicious appetizers
- 2 drink tickets
- event raffles
- unlimited shopping
- networking opportunity

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