

monthly news & updates

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World Habitat Day 2023

Monday, Oct. 2 | habitat.org

Everyone deserves a decent place to live.



Join us in celebrating World Habitat Day

More than 35 years ago, the United Nations General Assembly took an important step in promoting the idea that everyone deserves a decent place to live by declaring that the first Monday in October would be World Habitat Day. On Monday, Oct. 2, 2023, Habitat for Humanity joins with our partners around the world to rededicate ourselves to recognizing the basic right to adequate shelter. On this day we come together as one network to communicate that every one of us deserves the opportunity for a better future. A decent place to live can remove barriers to opportunity, health, and success that might have been part of a family's life for years and in many cases for generations. It is unacceptable that even before the COVID-19 pandemic, more than 17 million U.S. households were paying half or more of their income on housing. Now the significant economic impacts of COVID-19 and rising costs have made housing affordability out of reach for even more families.

Habitat for Humanity is working to improve home affordability for 10 million people through our five-year U.S. advocacy campaign, Cost of Home. The campaign, which launched in June 2019, provides the opportunity to mobilize our partners, volunteers, and community members to meet the nation's home affordability challenge. To join the latest Cost of Home actions visit habitat.org/costofhome/act-now or scan the QR code.

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Women Build

Ladies, we need your help!

Our goal is to have this home built and funded entirely by passionate women who want to help build stronger, safer communities in Summit County. Help us raise \$45,000 to finish our Women Build home! Continue to support future homeowner Ashley in her journey to achieving homeownership. Together, strong women build strong communities!



strong women build strong communities



future homeowner Ashley!



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Donate today!



Build In Style

women's fashion fundraising event

Save the Date: March 12, 2024

Cleaning out those closets for fall?



Purses



Jewelry

We need your donations of new and gently used purses and jewelry for our Build In Style women's fundraising event to raise funds for affordable housing in our community. Donations can be dropped off to 2301 Romig Rd. Akron, Ohio 44320.

Meet Loyal Volunteer Wayne!

By: Briana Cantrell,

Family Services Manager/QLO & Volunteer Coordinator

Wayne has been a loyal volunteer at Habitat for Humanity of Summit County for over 10 years and has completed over 2,400 volunteer hours. Wayne has a background in construction and worked as a professional consulting engineer designing HVAC and plumbing systems for buildings ranging from pizza shops to hospitals. Wayne started volunteering for Habitat after he retired. His wife was very active in the community and told Wayne "I married you for better or worse, but not for lunch! Find something to do." It was then that Wayne decided to join the Habitat family, an organization that does tremendous good for the Summit County community.



Wayne assists in the Warehouse assembling wall panels on occasion. He also assists the partner families while building picnic tables and teaches the Home Maintenance Module. Wayne's favorite part of volunteering is the people he works with including the other loyal volunteers and the Habitat staff. Wayne also enjoys meeting the families we are building for in the community. When asked what he would say to someone interested in volunteering with Habitat, Wayne stated, "You can learn a lot of different skills that you've never known how to do. Volunteering with Habitat would be worth your while! You will become confident in handling tools and will quickly learn what's behind a wall." Thank you Wayne for all your hard work and dedication to Habitat over the last 10+ years!

Tuesday, October 3rd
Neighborhood Network
Victim Assistance Program
6PM-8PM
Family of Faith United Methodist
800 E. Market St

Wednesday, October 4th
Homeownership Class
Construction Q&A with Tim
6PM-7PM
Training Room HFH Summit County

Wednesday, October 18th
Homeownership Class
Sip Savor Soul Healthy Eating
6PM-7PM
Training Room HFH Summit County

Calling ALL partner families!

Calling all Habitat homeowners and current partner families, we want to hear from you! Interested in telling your Habitat story and spotlighted on social media? Reach out to our Marketing Coordinator, Samantha Starkey, at samanthas@hfhsummitcounty.org or 330-745-7734 ext 213.

build site updates



**Barberton Build
with Sabrina**



**Akron Build
with Ashley**



**Akron Build
with Latashia**

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You are building homes, community, and hope in Summit County.

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

Apply to help rehab these available homes!



staff spotlight

Drew Hall recognized Greater Akron Chamber 30 for the Future Honoree

Vice President & Chief Development Officer, Drew Hall was recognized as an honoree for this years' 30 For The Future award from the Greater Akron Chamber. This event took place September 14th at the Sheraton in Cuyahoga Falls to recognize all honorees (pictured on right). Drew was joined by peers, his family, and Habitat staff.

Drew states, "It is a honor to be recognized with 29 other professionals who are committed to giving back to the Greater Akron Community. This award is a reflection of the team here at Habitat who do amazing work every single day. I am lucky enough to be the person who gets to help connect our donors, volunteers, and the community to that work." Thank you Drew for all you do to move the mission forward to make affordable homeownership possible!



We're Hiring!

Join our team

ReStore Cashier & Service Representative

ReStore Associate & Truck Ambassador

Home Repair and Rehab Site Lead

AmeriCorps Construction Crew Leader

Southern Summit County Neighborhood Network Manager



apply online!



cars for homes



Did you know

by donating your vehicle to Habitat you can help build and repair affordable homes while also helping the environment?

funds raised thru Sept 2023

\$86,729.15

carsforhomes.org

Partnership with the Akron RubberDucks!

We are so grateful for our partners the Akron RubberDucks and like to congratulate them on another amazing season! Thank you to all who bought 50/50 raffle tickets throughout the season and helped us raise \$26,284! This will fund our mission of supporting deserving families as they work toward their dream of homeownership.



Neighborhood Reborn 2023 Recap

Barberton Neighborhood Reborn was a great success! It took place on September 8th and September 9th on the south side of Barberton. We had a combined sixty staff, residents, and volunteers contribute over the two-day event. We completed one home repair and approved one. We accomplished eleven general landscaping tasks, installed twenty solar-powered motion security lights, and distributed safety resources and community resources in the area. We took two stake body trucks full of yard waste to Mulch Makers and one stake body truck full of trash and disposed of it. We also coordinated the installation of both smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Thank you to the Barberton Community Foundation for funding this event. Also, thank you to the City of Barberton, Upper Crust Barberton, the volunteers, and most importantly, the Barberton residents! We could not have done this without you!



Neighborhood Network corner



October Neighborhood Network MONTHLY MEETING

TUES, OCTOBER 3RD 6-8PM
800 E MARKET ST



Victim Assistance Program

LEARN ABOUT THEIR TRAUMA INFORMED RESOURCES, REFERRAL SERVICES, AND MORE

DINNER & CHILDCARE PROVIDED

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT

@NEIGHBORHOODNETWORKAKRON

VICTIMASSISTANCEPROGRAM.ORG



Neighborhood Network



New quarterly discount for October!



25% off all green tagged items and 50% off all pink tagged items, and 75% all blue tagged items starting Saturday, October 1st! Keep a look out for blue tags, pink tags, and our new purple tags for October, November, and December in the ReStore. All purchase to resell product is not eligible for discount and will be marked with a red and white tag. See an associate for any questions! Valid at Summit County ReStore at 2301 Romig Rd. Akron. Don't miss out on these deals!

priced as is



25% OFF



50% OFF



75% OFF



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Every Tuesday get an exclusive email including:

- a preview of the newest ReStore inventory
- keep up to date with all Habitat events
- new sales
- great coupons

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Each month we will draw a winner from newsletter registrants.

\$50
ReStore Gift Card
subscribe to win!

Our October winner is....
DAVID

Please check your email for details on how to claim your prize! Thank you to all who participated in our newsletter sign-up contest this month!



HOT PICKS

exclusive online ReStore shopping

Shop every Tuesday noon until midnight

Each week we pick out the top 5 BEST items available in the ReStore to feature for exclusive online shopping. You have the opportunity to grab these items and purchase them online before the store is open to the public on Wednesday morning at 8AM.



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