

# monthly news & updates

September 2023 - Issue 46



## The summer of Women Build

What a summer it has been! In June 2023, Habitat for Humanity of Summit County started its first full Women Build project since 2011. Since then, we have had 20+ different women's groups come out and volunteer with us! They have worked on a variety of projects to help future homeowner, Ashley, build her home in the Rolling Acres Neighborhood.

The excitement continues to grow for Ashley with the progression of her home! Although, this isn't her first time learning about Habitat for Humanity. Ashley's mother was also in the Habitat for Humanity of Summit County's homeownership program! It is now Ashley's turn to officially become a homeowner for her and her daughters, Sophia and Layla.

We like to thank our Site Supervisor, Laurie Giurdanella who is taking the lead on this project. Thank you to Jack and Jill of America, Inc. Akron Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, and the Akron Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. who are inspiring those in our community.

As we continue to grow with Ashley's story, we need help from women in our community. 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. To make a contribution scan the QR code or visit <https://www.hfhsummitcounty.org/womenbuild/>.

future homeowner Ashley!



May 2023



August 2023

Check out the progression!

## Ladies, we need your help!

Donate today!



## Build In Style

women's fashion fundraising event

Save the Date: March 12, 2024

## Clean out those closets!



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.



# habitat corner

## Round up at the Register: Wildfires in Maui

Recent wildfires in Maui have caused immeasurable destruction, forced emergency evacuations, and damaged thousands of homes and businesses across the island community. Habitat Maui reports that 10 families who built with them have lost homes. The Upcountry and Lahaina fires have damaged or destroyed approximately 2,000 homes.

Habitat for Humanity is actively assessing short- and long-term housing needs, but our ability to respond effectively to this disaster depends on available resources and donations. Your generous gifts will help provide long-term recovery funding for the communities we serve. Next time you at Summit County ReStore, round up at the register!



## Upcoming events at Habitat September 2023

**Wednesday, September 13th**  
Escrow Overview  
6PM-7PM  
Training Room HFH Summit County

**Wednesday, September 20th**  
Wills & Estate Planning  
6PM-7PM  
Training Room HFH Summit County

**Saturday, September 23rd**  
Home Maintenance Module - Part 2  
9AM-1PM  
Training Room HFH Summit County

**Wednesday, September 27th**  
Neighborhood Network Overview with Megan  
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](mailto:samanthas@hfhsummitcounty.org) or 330-745-7734 ext 213.

## build site updates



Barberton Build  
with **Sabrina**



Akron Build  
with **Ashley**



Akron Build  
with **Latashia**

SCAN ME



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

## Meet NN Manager, Megan

Meet our Neighborhood Network Manager, Megan. Neighborhood Network (NN) is a program of Habitat for Humanity of Summit County, that focuses on revitalizing neighborhoods. Megan's focus neighborhoods are Middlebury and University Park in Akron. Megan has been with Habitat since April 2021, but has been going to Neighborhood Network meetings since 2019. Her role as NN Manager for Middlebury and University Park consists of facilitating the monthly meetings, meeting new neighbors and listening to ideas/issues, sitting on committees for events

in the neighborhood, connecting the dots on initiatives happening in the community, giving resources to people and organizations that need them, advocating with neighbors for better conditions, and overall just keeping up with neighborhood.

The next NN meeting is September 5th at 6 p.m. The address at 800 E. Market St. Family of Faith United Methodist Church, hosted by an original creator of NN, Pastor Ron Shultz. The meeting will focus on East Market Street. The City of Akron and City Council have partnered with NN to share information about restriping (planned for next year, restriping helps determine what kind of lanes, parking, and crosswalks are best for the street/ vehicles/ and bikes before construction starts), zoning, parking, etc. Interested in learning more about Neighborhood Network? There are tons of ways to get involved! Contact Megan Delong at 330.745.7734 x256 or megand@hfhsummitcounty.org.



## Upcoming events for Neighborhood Network September 2023

**Tuesday, September 5th**  
E Market Street Topics - Zoning, Restriping, Houselessness  
6PM-8PM  
Family of Faith United Methodist  
800 E. Market St

**Friday & Saturday, September 8th-9th**  
Volunteer Opportunity - assist with home repair projects, general landscaping, solar powered security light installation, general public space improvements  
9AM-3PM  
College/George St.

SCAN ME



## We're Hiring!

### Join our team

- Home Repair and Rehab Site Lead
- AmeriCorps Construction Crew Leader



## 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 July 2023

**\$85,677**

[carsforhomes.org](https://carsforhomes.org)

## Cozy Fall Front Porch Decor Check List

- ✓ colorful wreath
- ✓ blooming marigolds
- ✓ antique chair or barrel

★ TIP: Shop ReStore for an affordable antique stool, chair, or barrel!

- ✓ pumpkins



learn more great tips at: <https://www.countyroad407.com/how-to-decorate-a-small-porch-for-fall/>

## Quarterly discount for August at ReStore!

25% off all pink tagged items and 50% off all blue tagged items starting Saturday, July 1st! Keep a look out for blue tags, pink tags, and our new green tags for July, August, and September 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.

priced as is 

25% OFF 

50% OFF 



**5** weekly top **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.




# Summer Blowout Sale

75% off the lowest ticketed price on ARHAUS thru September 30th



sign up for our email newsletter

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

enter to win

Each month we will draw a winner from newsletter registrants.

\$50 ReStore Gift Card


subscribe to win!


Our August winner is....


**Anita**


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!

Habitat for Humanity ReStore

buys a box of nails 

buys a toilet 

buys a kitchen sink 

buys windows 

**ONLY** the store that builds homes