# monthly news & updates

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### Meet Women Build 2024, Emily!

Introducing Emily, our 2024 Women Build family! Emily is a Fine and Performing Arts Teacher at a private school and a mother of three children - Evelynne (22), Chloe (19), and Jack (9). In March of 2023, Emily and her children's lives took a sudden turn, and their top priority became finding a secure and safe place to call home. She discovered Habitat and knew it was the perfect fit for her family. She applied for the program to provide her kids with a solid foundation and after prayers and patience, their family was accepted into the program. Emily's home will be one of sixteen houses built at our Silver Maple Ridge home development.

The goal of Women Build is to have this home built and funded entirely by passionate women who want to help build stronger, safer communities in Summit County. It is aimed to empower women to help families build strength, stability, and independence. We at Habitat have the ability to provide opportunities for hands-on learning, and given these tools, women can succeed in changing their communities. When asked what the family would like to share with our donors and volunteers, Emily stated, "Our appreciation cannot be explained in words. The thought of homeownership, after a difficult time, was just a dream. This home will significantly impact our lives now and in the future thanks to you!"

Proceeds from Build in Style 2024 will go towards helping Emily and her family achieve homeownership. Purchase your tickets today while supplies last!



#### Upcoming events at Habitat March 2024

Wednesday, March 6th Construction Overview 6PM-7PM Training Room HFH Summit County

Saturday, March 9th Home Maintenance Module \*required class 9AM-5PM Training Room HFH Summit County

Tuesday, March 12th Build in Style 11AM-1PM Summit County ReStore

Wednesday, March 13th Gardening Tips & Tricks 6-7PM Training Room HFH Summit County

Wednesday, March 20th Financial Fitness \*required class must attend 7/9 classes 6PM-7:30PM Training Room HFH Summit County

Wednesday, March 27th Homeowners Insurance 6PM-7:30PM Training Room HFH Summit County



## all things Habitat

## Habitat on the Hill

As part of Habitat for Humanity of Summit County's ongoing affordable housing advocacy efforts, CEO, Rochelle Sibbio, and Vice President and Chief Development Officer, Drew Hall, participated in Habitat for Humanity's annual Habitat on Hill conference in February. Their two days spent in Washington DC included sessions on how Habitat for Humanity affiliates can continue to effectively advocate for housing policies designed to increase the availability of affordable housing and close the homeownership gap in the communities Habitat for Humanity affiliates serve.

Drew and Rochelle also joined our Habitat for Humanity colleagues from Ohio to meet with elected officials representing Ohio to discuss the importance of creating affordable homeownership opportunities. Including Representative Emilia Sykes, Senator JD Vance, and Senator Sherrod Brown. During these meetings, representatives for our elected officials were asked to consider funding and support for several housing and community development programs including the Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program (SHOP), the Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), the USDA Section 502 Direct Loan Program, and the Neighborhood Home Investment Act.

If you would like more information on how you can join Habitat for Humanity's affordable homeownership advocacy efforts please contact Drew Hall at drewh@hfhsummitcounty.org.



#### **Share Your Story**

Stories are powerful. Sharing your family's story could help motivate new volunteers and donors to support Habitat's programming, further helping more local families improve their lives. Contact Sam to help us share YOUR story today 330-745-7734 ext 213.



## You are Building Here



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Silver Maple Ridge

# Silver Maple Ridge

## All 16 houses have been assigned an address! Stay TUNED......





These homes would not be possible without all the generous donors and volunteers who support Habitat. Thank you! Apply for Habitat Homeownership We are ready to rehab these 3 homes with the right family!











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ROOF DEPLOYMENT PROJE

# **Now Hiring!**

join our team & make a difference in the community

- Home Repair Site Assistant
- Home Repair and Rehab Site Lead
- Central Summit County Neighborhood Network Manager
- ReStore Associate & Truck Ambassador
- Marketing and Development Internship
- AmeriCorps Construction Crew Leader

To apply, visit our office Monday through Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm to complete an application and submit a resume. To view job descriptions scan the QR code. You may also submit a resume to habitat@hfhsummitcounty.org NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE!

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# HABITAT HABITAT HEROES

Michele and Michael are Habitat Heroes! Watch their story on our Youtube page!

youtube.com/ hfhsummitcounty/videos@





We are proud to serve Summit County veterans who have sacrificed for our country. Through our partnership with Owens Corning, veterans receive donated roofing and labor for their home repair. Scan the QR to learn more!







Blue and purple tagged ARHAUS items are 50% off starting March 1st through March 30th.

\*Some exclusions apply. Sale ONLY applies to ARHAUS inventory. Valid March 1st through March 30th only. See ReStore associate for details. Offer only at Summit County ReStore located at 2301 Romig Road in Akron, Ohio.\*



#### Lenten Seafood Dinner FUNDRAISER

Support the Lenten Seafood Dinner Fundraiser to help raise funds for the Hudson Coalition's home build with Habitat for Humanity of Summit County

#### Friday,March 22nd

at St. Mary's Church 340 North Main Street, Hudson 5:00 PM - 7:30PM



Dine in with limited seating or carry out. Advanced ordering available. Call or visit seafood.stmaryhudson.cc MasterCard/Visa accepted

330-650-0722 x244

# **Neighborhood Network**



Wells Fargo Advisors

Michele Cicciari and Michael Batu



**Family of Faith UMC** 800 East Market Street East Akron **FREE** Community Event **Neighborhood Reborn** 



330-745-7734

#### Need help with a home repair? Apply toay!



- Window and Door Replacement
- Porch Repair
- Ramp Installation
- Installation of Interior Accessibility Aids
- & MORE!

Grant funding up to \$2,000 available for some eligible projects. To apply and review all details, call us or scan the QR code to visit online at hfhsummitcounty.org

