



Newsletter

Our New Partner Homeowners

We are nearing completion of our homes for this year. We're not quite there, as we still have some work to do, but once again, our goal is to have our families in their homes by Christmas. Our families are getting anxious to get moved in after a summer of hard work. Two of our families have completed their sweat equity hours, and the other two are very close. But, they'll keep working until the homes are done.

These four homes will house eight adults and seventeen children that have been living in unsafe, unaffordable or overcrowded conditions. We are getting close to the absolute best part of the Habitat process—when we dedicate the homes, close on the house loans, and the families finally get to move in.

We are blessed to have so many volunteers who helped build these homes—both our “regulars” and those who have worked off and on, or even just one day. We've had special groups and people doing community service work side by side with our future homeowners. We are thankful!



We are also thankful for those who provide the coffee breaks and lunches to our construction crew. We have a large number of individuals, churches, groups, homeowners and businesses who provide coffee and a snack in the morning for our volunteers, and provide lunch on Saturdays for them. Our construction and HomeStore volunteers greatly appreciate this.

ALL UNDER 1 ROOF! We are almost there!! We began our All Under 1 Roof campaign last November, to purchase and repair our new building. We have raised (or have pledged) 80% of the funding to pay for the costs. If you've already helped us out—thank you! Please consider donating and helping us reach our goal of \$400,000 (total cost). If you would like more information about our building and campaign, please call Joy at the Habitat office.

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New Board members

Each year, several board members rotate off of the Board of Directors. Our Board members serve a 3 year term, with a maximum of two terms. We thank our Board members who will be leaving after this year, for their service to Habitat: David Hartmann and Linda Chapman. We also lost Chuck Peterson due to a job change requiring him to relocate. Our new 2015 Board members will be introduced in the Spring newsletter. We can't thank our retiring Board members enough - they have all put in countless hours helping Habitat.

Planned Giving

Talk to your financial planner about including Fremont Area Habitat for Humanity in your estate plans. Your estate plan can provide you with a variety of ways to help provide decent shelter for families in need. In your will you may decide to leave Habitat: a specific amount of money, a percentage of your estate, all or part of the residue of your estate, or what's left after loved ones have been provided for.

Volunteering Opportunities:

What can you do to help? We LOVE our volunteers!
 There are so many ways besides hammering nails that we can use your help, such as:

- ◆ Providing coffees and/or lunches for the construction crew
- ◆ Volunteering to help with special events (like Mr. Habitat)
- ◆ Volunteering to be on one of our committees
- ◆ Volunteering to be the Habitat contact at your church
- ◆ Praying for our Volunteers, Homeowners, Board & staff
- ◆ Volunteering at our HomeStore
 - on the sales floor
 - cleaning donations
 - in the warehouse
 - organizing
 - repairing items
 - and lots more
- ◆ Helping in the office
- ◆ And, last but not least, building homes

We can use you if you have a hammer, a spatula or a pen!

If you want to volunteer, just give us a call or email us.

Habitat HomeStore

HomeStore

If you have not yet visited our new HomeStore, it's time!! We moved to our new location (701 E. Dodge) in April, and opened our doors on April 25th. We love our new store!! It's bigger, beautiful, and the best!

Our goal with the HomeStore is to help Habitat build homes. The profits from the HomeStore go to help fund Habitat, ultimately resulting in building homes. The HomeStore has proven to be very successful so far, with generous donations from the community, and ever increasing numbers of shoppers. Our volunteer crew that runs the HomeStore is committed to our mission, and spend countless hours volunteering (over 7000 hours so far this year).

We appreciate those of you who donate to the HomeStore. The reuse of furniture and household goods, the use of leftover building materials, and the repurposing of numerous items, all benefit our environment, and provide affordable items for people in our community. Thank you for your donations!

Habitat also makes an effort to collaborate and partner with Keep Fremont Beautiful, Care Corps, Low Income Ministries, AMEN Ministries, Jefferson House, Orphan Grain Train and United Way.

If you haven't visited the HomeStore yet—come check it out! You'll be amazed at what we have, and at our great prices! We are open to the public on Fridays from 10-4 and Saturdays from 8-2.

Our Mailing Address:

PO Box 932
Fremont, NE 68026-0932

Our Office Location:

701 E. Dodge Street
Fremont, NE

Office Hours:

The office is usually open
from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Monday – Friday

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Joy McKay

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HomeStore

701 E. Dodge
402-298-5272
Open to the public
Every Friday 10 am—4 pm
Every Saturday 8 am—2 pm

Your donations
and your purchases
help build Habitat homes.

Join our FaceBook page at <https://www.facebook.com/fremonthabitat>

Are you a **Groundbreaker**?? If you are, THANK YOU!

We couldn't build homes without you!!

If you are not, now is your chance! **Groundbreakers** are our foundation. **Groundbreakers** provide consistent support during construction season — pledging a specific amount (\$50, \$100 or more) for each house built during the year (generally 4 homes/year). Call or email for more information about this program. This is a great way to give throughout the year, when we most need it, and when our costs are highest.

We invite you to be a **Groundbreaker**.

In early October, we held a Groundbreaker Appreciation Coffee, with specially made Habitat donuts, our very own barista's making specialty coffees, and some great conversation.



Our Habitat donuts created by Hy-Vee



Our Barista's



A few of our Groundbreakers



Our
Volunteers
hard at work



IN HONOR

Gifts in honor of the following individuals have been received:

In celebration of marriage of Ryan Evans & Susan Keasling

By Ann Knippelmeir

HomeStore Volunteers

By Lynn & Jeannine Moeller

Obstetric Nurses—3rd Floor @ FAMC

By Roger & Colleen Dilley

Physicians & Staff at Health Care for Women

By Roger & Colleen Dilley

Everett Dempsey's 13th Birthday

By Roger & Colleen Dilley

Stacey & Mitch Arp Wedding

By Barbara & Richard Coke

Bekki & Trey Navarrette

By Carolyn & Rod Welander

IN MEMORY

Gifts in memory of the following individuals have been received:

George Durand—Rick & Sharon Strong

Howard Wilkinson—Faith Perry

Marianne Yost—Stu & Julie Roach

Alberta Risch—Kermit Risch

Dick Findley—John Arkfeld

Jerry Vondenkamp—Betty Vondenkamp

Robert "Bob" Fink—Tom & Trudy Tamke

Preston Turner—Roger & Colleen Dilley

Deb Kiffin Petersen—Roger & Colleen Dilley

Calven Lenert—Rhoda Holstine

Markeeta Zrust—Dave & Lea Millie, John & Sue Millie, many others

Wanda Lambourn—Roger & Colleen Dilley

James Kleese—S.J. & Melvin Macrander



**Seeking to put God's love into action,
Habitat for Humanity brings people together
to build homes, communities and hope.**



20th Annual
SPAGHETTI DINNER

Thursday, November 6th 5 to 7 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church • 1546 N. Luther Rd • Fremont

Cost: 10 tickets in advance for \$63.00 • \$7.00 at the door

Children 5 and under eat free • Call 402-721-8771 to order

Carry-out Dinners available

A donation envelope is enclosed for anyone wanting to donate to Habitat for Humanity. Thank you!

If you would prefer to receive this newsletter via **email**, please send an email to joy@fremonhabitat.org, and we'll add you to the email list. Thank you.



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