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HOMEPAGE

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Charles and Habitat staff at the Women Build Kick-off

Veteran and long-time Industry neighborhood resident continues his family's legacy, thanks to you!



Charles and his family celebrate at the home dedication.

Charles' family home started to need more repairs than he could afford. Now, thanks to your support, a new safe, decent, and affordable home stands in its place.

"I've lived in Muncie my entire life- on this property," he explained. "For 10 years I served in the United States Army and the Army Reserves, and I've worked with Pizza King for 35 years now. My mom and dad became very sick and I spent a lot of my time and resources taking care of them and our family home. After they passed, the home started to

need repairs and the costs started adding up. Eventually, I decided the cost too much to fix it. I thought of moving out, but this place is so special to me and my family."

At the heart of Charles' wish to rebuild on the site of his previous home, is family. "I'm the best uncle," he said proudly. "I love my nieces and nephews. I used to have company over, but then I started doing the visiting."

"Rebuilding this home is a way to honor my parents and it will be a legacy for them and for me. This new house will be here after I'm gone, and I want to make sure the home is a good home for the neighborhood."

In addition to Charles' own sweat equity and volunteer hours, the home was made possible by many supporters and volunteers, like YOU, and the 2021 Women Build teams. With a strong roof over his head, and a solid foundation beneath his feet, we are excited to see the next chapters of Charles' bright future!



First Merchant's Women Build team contributed \$20,000 towards the home.



Bone Dry Roofing, an Owens Corning Platinum Preferred Roofing Contractor, donated a roof as part of the Owens Corning Roof Deployment Project.

A YEAR OF VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY IN ACTION

2022
35 VOLUNTEER GROUPS
January-July

- Accutech
- The Excel Center
- Phi Kappa Psi
- Delta Zeta Sorority
- The Exchange Club
- Black Students in Health Association
- Pi Sigma Epsilon
- Delight Ministries
- Woof Boom
- Alpha Tau Omega
- Epsilon Sigma Alpha
- Ivy Tech Days of Service
- Cobalt Civil
- Sunrise Rotary Club
- The Margarets
- Knights of Columbus
- Next Home Elite Real Estate
- Lowe's
- Corinth UMC
- The Gathering
- BSU Facilities Planning & Management
- Pepsi
- First Merchants Bank
- Commonway
- DeSoto UMC
- MURSIX
- CenterPoint Energy
- Muncie Power Products
- The Jar
- Borg Warner
- Westminster Presbyterian Church
- Eden Church
- First Presbyterian Church
- Renovation Life Church



4,981
HOURS

Total number of volunteer hours January-June

X

\$26.72 /HOUR

*Value of volunteer time in Indiana
Source: Independent Sector*

\$133,092.32
DONATED IN TIME



To sign up, or learn more:

E-mail: volunteer@munciehabitat.org | Call: 765-286-5739

Sign-up online: <https://munciehabitat.org/volunteer-signup>

YOU'RE TRANSFORMING OUR COMMUNITY

Thanks to your donations, prayers, and support, today we see homes, community, and HOPE for these two properties on South Mulberry Street. Future homeowners Kristina and Napoleon & Briana will have a safe, stable, and affordable place to live.



Before Purchase

SNAPSHOTS OF THE YEAR

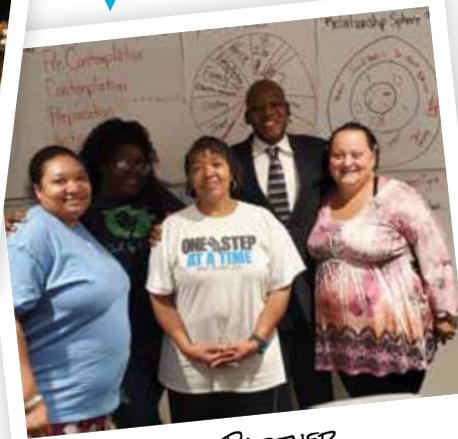
YOUR IMPACT IN 2022



DREAM BUILDERS BREAKFAST

On April 21, 2022, Muncie Habitat for Humanity hosted almost 500 attendees at our 19th annual Dream Builders Society Breakfast! This signature event offers an indispensable way to share our mission with this community and raise funds for our programs. At the event, each attendee was given a choice. A choice to invest in the future stories of families in our community—by giving to Muncie Habitat for Humanity. Our Dream Builders met this challenge, raising \$133,000!

Our 2022 Partner families recently graduated from their Habitat education class. This 12-week class helps families learn to build their resources and gain control over their future stories.



2022 PARTNER FAMILIES



8TWELVE TRANSITIONS TO OPEN DOOR

Muncie Habitat's vision of a resident-driven neighborhood revitalization program blossomed into what is known as the 8twelve Coalition. Growing beyond Habitat's mission and scope, the coalition launched into its next phase under the leadership of Open Door Health Services.



FAMILY & FRIENDS OF CHANDUS SPRADLIN

In five hours, 120 volunteers from our T&T Crew, Navient, and Academy of Model Aeronautics completed the walls for our next home!

We celebrated the life of our friend, with a build day in his memory. Thank you Lowe's for the coordination it took to send so many staff members out to volunteer.



NAVIENT PANEL BUILD



After Demolition



Builds in Progress

ReStore!



Whether you're in the market for a new couch, or redoing your kitchen, Muncie Habitat's ReStore is the best place to start!

Since 2007 ReStore has helped fund our mission, while providing low-cost home products to our community, and keeping thousands of pounds of recyclable product out of landfills.



ReStore's new manager, Michelle Reyna, is excited about the future of the store, and making the most of your donations.

"I became familiar with the organization through the Impact Program- it's a job skills training program," Michelle explained. "They partner with local non-profits to place people

in community service to provide work history and

learn new skills. As manager, I plan to increase ReStore's social media and grow our donation pick-up service!"

As popularity of ReStore continues to increase, so does the quality and quantity of products we receive.

"We are so grateful for our donors and shoppers who help fund our housing mission through donations." Michelle shared.

Our team does their research to ensure that each item is priced fairly. We keep a wide selection of luxury to basic home needs in stock to make sure our store is accessible to everyone, and that we get the best value for each piece donated.

YOUR DONATION = A DIFFERENCE MAKER

305,473 lbs.
diverted from landfills

6,491
customers served

\$254,561
raised through sales

\$108,937
value of product donated

January 2022-July 2022



Are you ready to donate?

"Give me a call!," Michelle says. "Donation pickup is available and is free! We will take almost anything in new or good condition - from building materials, to cabinets, lighting fixtures, couches - you name it!"

ReStore is also currently looking for more volunteers who want to make a difference! If you enjoy working with your hands and want to be the first to see new product, stop by the store and say hello!

10% off

One non-sale item

Expires Dec. 31, 2022. Valid at the Muncie Habitat for Humanity ReStore only. Show this coupon to the cashier to receive your 10% off.



Your support helps families move from surviving to thriving!

It's easy for us to focus only on the physical impact that housing can have on a family. We have statistics that prove the financial benefits for our families. We also can see the direct improvement of safe, well-built, energy efficient homes. However, we also need to remind ourselves that homes provide positive outcomes on family health, education, and well-being. These are areas that provide so much more to a family's story.



Recently, we dedicated a home for Sweeter and her two children, daughter Jay'onna (15) and son Brandon (7). Like all home dedication ceremonies, there's excitement, words of encouragement, and prayers. We all love that, don't we?

But after the construction trailer is pulled away, the final punch list is completed, and the mortgage papers are signed, the real magic happens.



For Sweeter and her children, their future thoughts and dreams have just begun. Jay'onna is studying for her classes in the comfy and spacious living room. Brandon is perfecting his

ninja skills in his very own room. Sweeter is grateful for her front porch where she rests after a full day of taking care of others. Improved education; emphasis on mental health; space in order to dream for the future; all possible because of a hand UP and not a handout.

This stability that you've given this family means that they can start to make a plan for the future – to move from surviving to thriving.

I want to say...

Thank YOU, from the bottom of my heart, for helping families build their future story through safe, decent, affordable homeownership.

In Partnership,

Lindsey Arthur

MY GIFT TO PROVIDE HOPE

Improving the lives of families for generations to come requires an investment. Many of our neighbors need a hand up. Your support makes affordable homeownership possible, and we are tremendously grateful. Donations may be made by check, credit card, or through our secure website at munciehabitat.org/donate

\$1000

Covers the cost of the lumber that makes up the family home's exterior walls

\$500

Purchases the lights for the entire home, creating a bright place for family time together

\$250

Buys a front door, opening up a family's dream of home ownership with Habitat

\$100

Purchases 4 boxes of nails, the smallest but most important tool in building a stable home

I would like to make a gift of

\$1,000 \$500 \$250 \$100

\$ _____

Name _____

Phone _____

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THE BLESSINGS OF GIVING AND RECEIVING



“Habitat is a faith-based organization that brings HOPE to families. Families get their confidence back, feel safe, and are healthier (emotionally and physically). I have witnessed this in my sister, who owns a Habitat house.”
-Quadrea, Habitat Employee



“Working with Habitat is an opportunity for me to give back and give hope to the community.”
-Brandie, Habitat Homeowner, turned volunteer, and current employee

“Home means everything. It means stability- a place we can call our own. A place we can feel safe and comfortable. A place for our kids to have constancy.”

-Napoleon, 2022 Partner Family



I’m passionate about Habitat because they reward individuals for hard work and help solve a major need while bringing the community together to work for the common good!”

-Will, Habitat Board of Directors



“It is evident that Habitat cares deeply about the community and city around them. Habitat focuses on changing lives through areas of concentration such as; volunteer work, faith-based efforts within their foundation and purpose, and providing a path for people to work hard and change their trajectory in life.”

-Adam, President, Accutech



“Habitat for Humanity is important in our community because it brings people together for a common goal of restoring hope. Whether you are a volunteer or partner family, Habitat gives you hope for a more positive future in our community.”

-Brittani, Thrive Credit Union

Accutech sends employees to Habitat job sites once a month!

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