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### Next Habitat Home



We are thrilled to announce that the Lima Area Habitat Board of Directors has given the green light for our next build. It will take place in Delphos, OH and will be house #56 for our affiliate. We already have the lot procured and are beginning the process of selecting a family. This process can take a few months to finalize, as we first get the word out, then narrow it down to one family, and finally work out all the details. Once the family is determined, we will know what type of house is needed (2-bedroom, 3-bedroom, etc.) Funds will need to be raised and volunteers will need to step forward as all the planning is confirmed. Stay tuned for more information, but in the meantime feel free to donate toward this build or sign up to help with the construction.

### Remarkable Volunteers



Some remarkable volunteers were honored in the past couple of months. At our annual Appreciation Banquet on December 3, 2019, we celebrated the amazing generosity of our Habitat volunteers. During 2019 we had over 225 people partner with us at the ReStore, on the construction site, as committee/board members and more. While we are thankful for all these people, a few are worth mentioning individually. The Construction Volunteer of the Year was Earl Hofstetter. The Sub-Contractor of the Year was R.A. Flynn & Son. The ReStore Volunteer of the Year was Marty Hutjens. In addition some ReStore volunteers hit some major milestones. Greg Godsey worked over 200 hours in the past quarter. Larry Shurelds and Ronnie Matthews are now part of a select few volunteers who have given over 500 hours to our affiliate. Our Habitat affiliate depends on these generous people in order for us to fulfill our mission.

### What does a Habitat house cost?



While volunteer builders keep the cost of a Habitat house affordable, money still needs to be raised for each new build. Even when we are offered in-kind gifts from businesses and individuals (such as a business donating all the flooring), there are still plenty of costs that are not covered. We figure that we need \$62 for every square foot of a house we build. And, a three-bedroom Habitat house is around 1100 square feet in size. So, perhaps you might want to donate \$620 and “purchase” 10 square feet of our next home. Our hope is that donations come pouring in so fast that we can just start a new home when the last one is finished. With additional donations (monetary or in-kind), we dream of a day when that can happen at our affiliate. Perhaps you know of a person or business that can help. Encourage them to contact us, so that we can help more families in our area.

### Volunteer Needs & News



As our board of directors and committee members begin their work in 2020, we will be developing new programs and events for the coming year. Some of these are already underway. And, with the new build happening in a few months, we will be needing extra construction volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering for any part of our affiliate (ReStore, committee work, food offering, construction, etc.), please fill out a volunteer form at [www.habitatlima.org/volunteer/volunteer-interest-form.html](http://www.habitatlima.org/volunteer/volunteer-interest-form.html) or call us at (419) 222-4937. We can only fulfill our mission with people like you! Please spread the word.

#### **Our mission**

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

#### **Our vision**

*A world where everyone has a decent place to live*

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