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Thankfulness



This is a season for thankfulness, and it is good to carve out a specific time for that. However, living a grateful life is something that can be done every day. Many people list the things they are thankful for at the beginning or ending of each day. I wish to list a few things that I am thankful for about Habitat for Humanity, as I retire at the end of this year. First, I am thankful for the many volunteers that give of themselves at the ReStore or on the construction site or as committee/board members. Second, I am grateful for the colleagues that I have had the pleasure to work with here in Lima — their dedication, passion, and resilience. Third, I think of the donors who offer funds that keep our affiliate moving forward. Lastly, I name the faith and the Christian fortitude that has been encapsulated in the creation and continuation of this important mission of Habitat for Humanity. May we continue to make decent, affordable housing a priority for all!

Social Determinants of Health



At Habitat for Humanity, we understand the important connection of housing to health, knowing that physical changes in housing will improve the health and well-being of people in the community. Certain lifestyle conditions negatively impact healthcare resources and increase the total cost of care. These lifestyle conditions are referred to as Social Determinants of Health, one of which is substandard housing. Research shows that people who live in substandard housing experience higher rates of preventable hospital admissions and visits to the ER. This time of COVID-19 has made it even clearer how important a decent home is for good health. Our affiliate is currently working on a campaign that speaks directly to this situation. We need your help in sharing this with others and encouraging them to think about improving our community by donating to Habitat Lima and/or volunteering in our builds. We cannot do it without your help.

Delphos Build Updates



Our next Habitat house, #10 in Delphos and house #56 for our affiliate, has a family. The family consists of a mother and her three children. They are excited about the upcoming build and having a home of their own. Construction Manager, Roger Calvert, has the lot ready to go and is managing the coordination for the build. We already had volunteers build many of the stud walls in our construction room at our building on Elm Street. We also continue to raise money for the build through both donations and in-kind gifts. If you know of a person or business that can help or you are that person, please let us know. Perhaps you wish to build with us this time. Just visit our website to do the construction orientation: www.habitatlima.org/volunteer/safety/construction.html.

Volunteer Needs & News



Giving Tuesday is just around the corner, December 1. You can help us by sharing our mission and needs on social media that day. Look for more information about that soon. We continue to need extra volunteers at the ReStore, due to limitations relating to COVID-19. Tuesdays and Wednesdays have no customers in the building, so they are great days to more safely help. However, we can use additional volunteers on any day the ReStore is functioning: Tuesday – Saturday. Once the new build is underway, 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 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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