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On Sunday, Nov. 17, we held our *Home Dedication* for the Mack family. After about five months from ground breaking, we were able to celebrate house #55 here in the Lima Area. Friends, church supporters, construction volunteers, Habitat staff members and the media came out to participate in the dedication of Habitat for Humanity - Lima Area's first house in Elida. The newly constructed home is a four-bedroom, 1,300 square-foot building that will offer a new life, as well as new opportunities, for this five-member family. All this is a reality because of generous people like you who volunteer, pray, and donate money to the affiliate. Soon we will be planning our next build. Stay tuned for more information about that and how you can be part of the process.

ReStore Events



During the first ten months of 2019, more than 13,000 volunteer hours were offered to the Habitat ReStore in Lima. These hours were created by our regular volunteers and those who volunteer with us as part of various social services programs. In addition to these individuals, we also have numerous groups who make a significant difference. In the past three months we have partnered with the Ohio Northern University Habitat for Humanity Student Chapter, Bittersweet Farms, Allen County Board of Developmental Disabilities, and Tuttle Construction. An ONU professor gave an incentive to a class to volunteer at Habitat and we ended up having 28 students show up on a Saturday. Bittersweet Farms sends 6-8 volunteers every Wednesday to the store and ACBDD created a new partnership with us to help some of their clients gain new job skills and experience. Tuttle Construction gave employees an afternoon to make a difference in the community. Do you have a group who would be willing to volunteer at the ReStore?

Joy and Thankfulness



The season of Christmas is here. It gives us an opportunity to reflect on the blessings of life. Despite the difficulties which we all encounter, joy and thankfulness can be found if we just look for it. Here are just a few examples from our affiliate in the past year: 1) Seeing children scurry around the ReStore to find the *elf on the shelf*, 2) A construction volunteer learning a new skill at the Habitat worksite, 3) Continued donations from sustaining "No Place Like Home" members, 4) Seeing the child's face, of a new Habitat homeowner, as she proudly shows the painting she did in her new room, 5) Hearing a "thank you" from a volunteer for "allowing" them to volunteer with us, 6) Seeing churches donate a meal for volunteers and make new friends in the process, and 7) Being able to tithe as an affiliate and make a difference not only locally, but with our international partners in Guatemala. Where will you find joy this day?

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We will be welcoming 10 new committee members to our organization this January. They have been oriented and will bring significant skills, knowledge and experience to our affiliate and its work. On December 3 we held our annual volunteer appreciation banquet. Approximately 130 people attended as we celebrated all the good work that was completed because of the generosity of individuals, churches, businesses, and organizations that offered time, money, and resources to the Lima Area Habitat affiliate. 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.

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