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ReStore West Opening Wednesday

Habitat for Humanity - Greater Columbus Opening Second ReStore Location

COLUMBUS, Ohio (Jan. 30, 2012) – Habitat for Humanity - Greater Columbus is opening a second Columbus-area ReStore. Doors open to the public on Feb. 1 at 240 N. Wilson Road on Columbus' west side. Habitat's ReStore West offers a convenient donation and shopping location for residents and businesses in this area. The original location on the east side of Columbus remains open for business as usual.

The new ReStore is located in 25,000 square feet of space in the Great Western Shopping Center, comparable to the ReStore East store. New and reusable product offerings are similar at both locations, although inventory changes daily due to incoming donations and sales at either store.

Habitat's ReStore is seeking donations of new or reusable home goods and home remodeling building materials from homeowners, remodeling contractors, retailers, and businesses. Donated goods are sold to the public and resources generated from sales support the mission of Habitat for Humanity to rescue families from poverty housing situations and build decent, affordable homes for hardworking, low-income families to buy.

"The ReStore offers a way for individuals and businesses to support our work by donating excess, reusable, unwanted goods, while shoppers get great deals on home items and building materials for their own do-it-yourself projects. Not only does the store offset our administrative costs, but donations and sales have contributed directly to homebuilding as well," said E.J. Thomas, CEO, of Habitat for Humanity - Greater Columbus.

Homeowners and businesses may donate furniture, housewares, appliances, electronics, antiques, lighting, doors, windows, kitchen, bath, cabinets, sinks, home décor, and much more. Donations may be delivered to ReStore East or ReStore West. Pick up services are available for large-quantity donations.

ReStore is also interested in hearing about residential, retail, and commercial buildings to be demolished. ReStore staff and volunteers will help remove and salvage materials to sell at the store.

ReStore East, at 3140 Westerville Rd, Columbus, 43224, and ReStore West, at 240 N. Wilson Rd, Columbus 43204 are both open to the public Monday through Saturday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday 12 to 5 p.m. Donations are accepted during store hours.

Anyone interested in learning more should visit www.ReStoreColumbus.org. Donors may call (614) 364-7028 for more information or to schedule a large pick up. Shoppers with questions may call (614) ReStore or (614-737-8673).

A grand opening event will be held at ReStore West in the spring.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

[Habitat for Humanity - Greater Columbus](#) (HFHGC) works throughout Franklin County, Ohio and has built 245 homes, *and counting*, since 1987. The Greater Columbus Affiliate, through tithing to HFHI, has also helped to build more than 250 homes in developing countries throughout the world.

HFHGC is one of the only housing agencies in Franklin County targeting families who earn 30-60% of median income. HFHGC partner families are chosen after a careful review process during which Habitat assesses their need for housing; their ability to repay a zero-interest, no-profit mortgage and their willingness to partner with Habitat through sweat equity. All partner families are first-time homebuyers who earn 30-60% of the median income for Franklin County and currently live in substandard housing. Every partner family must perform a minimum of 200-250 hours of sweat equity, which includes working on their own house and those of other Habitat families, attending homeownership classes and providing Habitat program support. Every family also assumes a no-interest, no-profit mortgage with payments based on family income. Because HFHGC holds and services these mortgages, Habitat has a long-term relationship with the homeowners and the communities in which they live.

Also supporting HFHGC is [Habitat's ReStore](#), a resale store that accepts and sells reusable home improvement materials to the general public. Revenue from sales directly offsets 100% of Habitat's administrative costs and assists in both eliminating substandard housing and creating homeownership in Greater Columbus. Habitat's ReStore is located at 3140 Westerville Road, 3 miles southwest of Easton; 2 miles south of Morse Road. The store is open to the public Monday-Saturday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sundays from 12 – 5 p.m. *New location opening Feb. 1 at 240 N. Wilson Road in the Great Western Shopping Center on the West Side of Columbus.*

About Habitat for Humanity International

Habitat for Humanity International is an ecumenical Christian ministry that welcomes to its work all people dedicated to the cause of eliminating poverty housing. Since its founding in 1976, Habitat has built, rehabilitated, repaired or improved more than 500,000 houses worldwide, providing simple, decent and affordable shelter for more than 2.5 million people. For more information, or to donate or volunteer, visit habitat.org.

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