

A Hand Up, Not a Handout

Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit ecumenical Christian housing ministry dedicated to eliminating poverty housing worldwide and making safe, decent, and affordable shelter a reality for all families.

Habitat is a partnership – not a charity. Habitat provides a “hand up, not a handout,” which creates partnership with volunteers and homeowners. Houses are not free. Homeowners buy their houses through a zero-interest, no-profit mortgage with Habitat.

About Habitat Homes

- Habitat builds new homes for qualified homeowners who get to select from 5 energy-efficient, disability accessible house plans.
- Habitat also rehabilitates foreclosed homes throughout Franklin Co.



Contact Us

If you have any questions about homeownership through Habitat for Humanity, please contact:

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"We are pledged to the letter and spirit of the U.S. policy for the achievement of equal housing opportunity throughout the nation. We encourage and support an affirmative advertising and marketing program in which there are no barriers to obtaining housing because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin."



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Think you Can't Afford to Own a Home?

Think Again!

**More than 230 families
in Columbus are
homeowners through
Habitat for Humanity.**



SELECTION CRITERIA

1. ABILITY TO PAY

 Does your total monthly household income from all sources fall within the following ranges and have you established good credit over the past 24 months?

If you have previous slow or late payments, you may still be considered. Filing for bankruptcy does not disqualify you, but we require that the bankruptcy be fully discharged by the court for a minimum of two years.

Family Size	Minimum Monthly Income	Maximum Monthly Income
1	\$1,183	\$1,970
2	\$1,350	\$2,250
3	\$1,520	\$2,533
4	\$1,687	\$2,812
5	\$1,825	\$3,037
6	\$1,958	\$3,262
7	\$2,095	\$3,487
8	\$2,229	\$3,712



2. WILLINGNESS TO PARTNER

 Are you willing to work 200-250 Sweat Equity hours?

These hours are spent assisting with construction, attending required classes, and other activities for 12-18 months. This may involve 20-30 hours per month of extra work in addition to your current employment.

3. NEED FOR SHELTER

 Are you presently living in substandard housing?

Substandard refers to the physical condition of your residence – this is not the same as subsidized. Examples of substandard housing include but are not limited to poor quality, overcrowding, transitional housing and high rental costs.

Yes, I feel that I meet all  three selection criteria listed here, and I think that I may qualify. The next step is to attend a **MANDATORY**

HOMEOWNERSHIP ORIENTATION

held the

First Thursday of every month at 6:00 p.m.

Or

Third Saturday of every month at 10:00 a.m.

All Orientations are held at

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Call Lisa Jones at 614-364-7014 if you need additional information!

Habitat for Humanity – Greater Columbus can offer the following interpretation services; language, American Sign Language and TTY/TTD/TTT.

If you need assistance in understanding or translation services please contact 614-364-7014.