



Habitat for Humanity is a global nonprofit housing organization working in local communities across all 50 states in the United States and in more than 70 countries around the world. Habitat's vision is of a world where everyone has a decent place to live. Habitat works toward our vision by building strength, stability and self-reliance in partnership with people and families in need of a decent and affordable home.

## **Habitat of Humanity Central Arizona has received the following recognitions:**

BBB Accredited Charity
Four Star Charity – Charity Navigator
LEED® Certified Homes
Energy Star Efficient Homes
Top 100 Places to Work in Arizona 2016, 2018, 2020
Most Admired Company in Arizona 2016 - 2019
GuideStar Exchange Gold Star Participant



Habitat for Humanity was founded in 1976 by Millard Fuller and his wife Linda. The concept that grew into Habitat for Humanity International was born at Koinonia farm, a small interracial Christian community farm outside of Americus, Georgia. That was founded in 1942 by Clarence Jordan, a farmer and biblical scholar.

The Fullers first visited Koinonia in 1965. They had recently left a successful business and an affluent lifestyle in Montgomery, Alabama to begin a new life of Christian service.

At Koinonia, Jordan and Fuller developed the concept of "partnership housing". The concept centered on those in need of adequate shelter working side by side with volunteers to build simple, decent houses.

In 1968, Koinonia laid out 42 half-acre home sites with four acres reserved as a community park and recreational area.

Capital was donated from around the country to start the work. The homes were built and sold, at no profit, to families in need on a no interest loan provided to the new homeowners as a carry back from donated funds from a revolving fund called, "The Fund for Humanity." The new homeowners worked side by side on their house, providing "sweat equity" to obtain ownership of their home.

Fuller went on to test his idea in the African country of Zaire, now known as the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Within 3 years he had built more than 120 houses and got the idea that this would work most everywhere in the world and founded Habitat for Humanity in 1976.



In addition to new construction, Habitat for Humanity also works in multiple different ways to create decent, affordable housing, including:

- Renovating existing homes in many communities, particularly in urban areas.
- Helping people repair and improve their own homes and neighborhoods.
- Habitat's Disaster Response works with local communities to address a variety of housing needs after natural disasters.
- Habitat's advocacy work raises awareness and support for decent and affordable housing around the world.

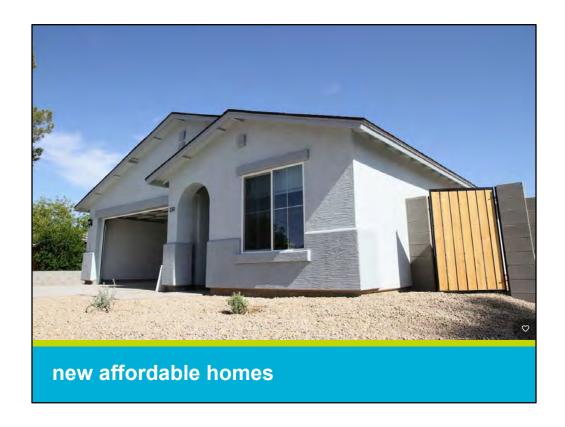
Now serving in 70 countries, people in our community and all over the world partner with us to build or improve a place they call home. Habitat homeowners build and improve their own homes alongside volunteers and pay an affordable mortgage or contribute a portion to improvement projects, thus helping these homeowners achieve the independence they need to build a better life for themselves and their families.

Habitat delivers solutions to the worldwide need for decent and affordable housing. Since 1976, Habitat has helped 8.7 million people improve their shelter situation.



Habitat for Humanity Central Arizona is an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International and for the past 35 years we have been bringing people together to build homes, community, and hope here in the Valley of the Sun.

As the top nonprofit homebuilder in Arizona with eight consecutive Charity Navigator 4-Star ratings, we have partnered with volunteers, donors and families to build, renovate and repair more than 1,164 homes locally since 1985. The lives of thousands of individuals have been transformed as a result of having a decent and affordable place to call home.



# Watch Homeless to Home Owner (10 mins 45 sec)

"A Habitat home means you belong to a community." - The Gong Family

"Habitat helping others is amazing and touches a lot of hearts as well as homes. We appreciate it all." - Bernice

### "From the bottom of my heart, THANK YOU!!" - Christina

"Thank you so much for giving me and my children the opportunity to call a house our home, **for giving my children their own room** that they can decorate and make their own and for giving me the opportunity to fulfill one of my life goals" – Amaharanta

### "Families are changing because of you!" - The Mejia Family

"Thank you Habitat and our sponsors for giving us the opportunity to be homeowners—our **lifelong dream—and for giving us a chance** to give our kids a better future." -The Hert/Ibarra family

"Because of all the amazing work done, my daughter and I have a place to call home. All the memories that we will have will all be because of you!" - Jocelyn

"Habitat was so supportive - I can't imagine having gone through the process without them.

People who work for Habitat and those who volunteer are among the most giving, genuine

people I've ever met! I can't say enough about Habitat for Humanity Central Arizona. We consider

them family. We are proud to call ourselves Habitat Homeowners."

Jessica - Habitat Home Owner



## How does Habitat for Humanity homeownership work?

Families in need of decent, affordable housing apply for homeownership with their local Habitat for Humanity.

Each local Habitat's family selection committee selects homeowners based on three criteria:

- The applicant's level of need.
- Their willingness to partner with Habitat.
- Their ability to repay a mortgage through an affordable payment plan.

Habitat's homebuyers invest hundreds of hours of their own labor, called sweat equity, working alongside volunteers and other Habitat homeowners, in addition to paying an affordable mortgage and receiving financial education.

Habitat for Humanity follows a nondiscriminatory policy of family selection. Neither race nor religion is a factor in choosing Habitat's homeowners.



Although best known for building single-family homes, Habitat is taking community building to the next level. Neighborhood Revitalization allows us to serve even more families by responding to community needs with an expanded array of products, services and partnerships, empowering residents to revive their neighborhoods and enhance their quality of life.



We're improving communities through community partnerships!

Join Habitat as we serve local families this year in collaboration with corporations, faith groups, foundations, individuals and cities from across Arizona.

## **Our Partnership:**

Impacts lives of families and future generations.

Builds strength, stability and independence.

Helps physically and spiritually build a community.

Supports environmental sustainability.

Provides valuable team building for your leadership and staff.

**Encourages community responsibility.** 

Promotes a sense of community, family and pride among groups.

Boundaries: Bethany Home Road to Campbell Rd; and I-17 to 43<sup>rd</sup> Ave

Started 5 years ago in 2015! It's humbling to see all that's been accomplished – more than 285 unique families, 662 repairs, and over 4,800 volunteers contributing over 24,000 volunteer hours.

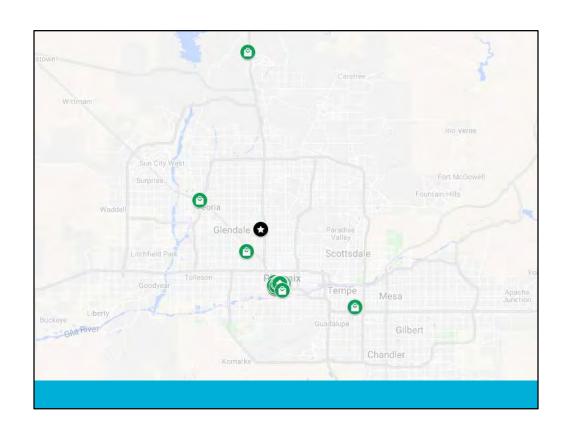
https://youtu.be/qBS9R-YqTYU



<u>Tempe Townhomes: https://spark.adobe.com/video/KOhc7yl269726</u> <u>Victory Acres & Escalante: https://youtu.be/3QzBMiti4YQ</u>



Habitat for Humanity ReStores are nonprofit home improvement stores and donation centers that sell new and gently used furniture, home accessories, building materials and appliances to the public at a fraction of the retail price. Habitat for Humanity ReStores are owned and operated by local Habitat for Humanity affiliates, and proceeds are used to build strength, stability and self-reliance locally and around the world.





Habitat's Deconstruction Service enables homeowners and businesses to offset their remodeling costs. **Deconstruction services are a no-cost solution to remove kitchen cabinets, appliances, bathroom fixtures and doors from a space before a remodel or renovation.** 

**First,** we help identify materials and items suitable for reuse.

Next, all work is handled by our skilled Deconstruction team.

**Finally,** upon removal, salvaged items are donated to local Habitat ReStores and sold to support the mission of Habitat. (Donors receive a tax receipt for the donation.)

If you're planning a remodel or renovation in your home or office, we'd love to help AND at no cost to you! All sales and proceeds from donated items go to support local families in need of affordable housing.



# Is Habitat for Humanity a Christian organization?

Yes, we are a global nonprofit, ecumenical Christian housing organization. All who desire to be a part of this work are welcome, regardless of religious preference or background. We have a policy of building with people in need regardless of race or religion. We welcome volunteers and supporters from all backgrounds.

# **Partnership with Faith Groups**

Becoming involved with Habitat is a great way for faith groups to come together. We look to connect churches with opportunities to serve and put their faith into action in their communities.



**Home sponsors** are crucial partners in helping provide safe and affordable housing. In addition to covering construction costs, sponsors are invited to volunteer alongside future Habitat Homeowners, and participate in groundbreaking and dedication ceremonies.

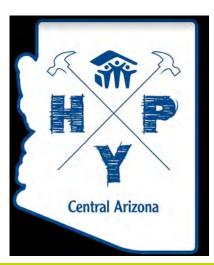
"After learning about this project... and how it would directly impact the families in our neighborhood, the entire WebPT team was instantly on board to support."

Heidi Jannenga

President of WebPT

# Other Habitat Programs

- Construction in Training
- Aging in Place
- Women Build
- Reconstruct
- Veterans Build
- City of Glendale Emergency Home Repair
- City of Phoenix Home Repairs (temporary)
- Habitat Young Professionals
- Habitat Ambassadors



**Habitat** is active in several other programs in our community:

The **Aging in place** (AIP) program is a partnership with people age 65 or older that focuses on making safety improvements, mobility modifications and weatherization enhancements to help them age safely in their homes.

**Construction in training** (CIT) looks to produce the next generation of highly skilled construction leaders. This program looks to create stable job opportunities, affect industry change, and solve construction labor shortages in the Valley.

**Women Build** allows volunteers to come together and serve to build strong, safe communities. Our Women Build allows women to learn how to build and construct a home under the guidance of construction professionals while working alongside other volunteers and future Habitat Homeowners.



Because Habitat qualifies as an eligible charity, you can make a gift (up to \$400 as an individual or \$800 as a couple) and receive a direct credit (not a deduction) to your Arizona State Income tax at the time taxes are filed.

#### To Claim the Credit You Must:

- be an Arizona resident
- complete Arizona tax form 321 to file with your state tax return
- postmark contributions or make them online by April 15th

### Do I have to itemize to claim Charitable Tax Credits?

No, You do not have to itemize deductions to claim a credit for contributions.

#### Can I take the Working Poor Tax Credit if I take the School Tax Credit?

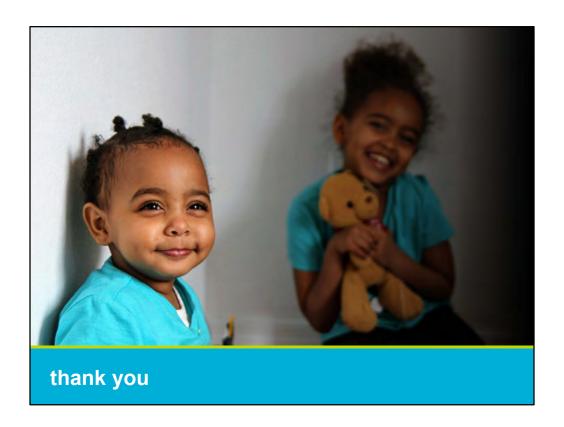
Yes, they are separate credits and you are allowed to take advantage of both

#### How do I know Habitat qualifies for the credit under this program?

Qualifying organizations are required to send the Department of Revenue a self- certification letter stating that they meet all qualifying criteria. The Department

in turn publishes a list of self-certified organizations. You can request a list from Department of Revenue in Phoenix at 602.255.3381 or you can go to the Arizona Department of Revenue website at **azdor.gov**.

**Note:** Habitat is not a tax advisor. Contact a qualified tax advisor for advice on your taxes. **Still have questions? Call 602-232-1072** 



### **How Can You Get Involved?**

Become a monthly supporter – set up recurring gifts online and you're all set – as a thankyou we'll send you a bag of our special House Cofee – Builders Brew! Your support is so important – we really can't do it without you.

Become a Sponsor Volunteer Learn more about Planned Giving and our Legacy Society – Built to Last Come to a Wall signing or Home Dedication