

Upcoming Events!

- ⇒ **November 18th, 6pm at Living Hope Wesleyan Church, Madison. Our annual "thank you" event. We'd like to say thank you to our donors and volunteers. Come meet the homeowners as well and enjoy fellowship over a meal. Come get your free t-shirt (first come, first served)! Watch for your invitation in the mail.**
- ⇒ **Our annual phone-a-thon will be held December 13-15. If you'd like to help with the calling, let us know.**

Can't find our office?

Look for us at 217 N Egan Ave, Madison.

That is in LakeView Offices,
2 doors south of the
4 Seasons Flea Market.

Visit us on line!

Make donations via PayPal on our website.

www.habitateastcentral.org

Want to help behind the scenes?

We are in need of people that would like to work with Habitat year 'round on the Board of Directors, Church & Community Relations Committee, Family Selection & Support Committee, Fund Development Committee, Construction & Brush with Kindness Committee, or help with fundraising events or be an office volunteer. Thank you to the volunteers from Bethel Activities for folding, labeling, and stamping the newsletter.

Our 2011 goal is 5 Brush With Kindness projects!

Needed: Houses that need paint!

Call 427-9906 Email: habitat57042@gmail.com

Applications on line: www.habitateastcentral.org



What's the Buzz? from Barb Johnson, Executive Director

There seems to be some misconceptions that I need to clear up. I'd like to remind everyone that when we build a house, we do not give it away. The partner family works on the house. Each household member age 18+ must put in 150 hours of volunteer time before they can purchase the house. There is a closing, where they sign a mortgage loan with Habitat. They pay for property taxes and property hazard insurance each month. They pay for the house each month in a house payment the same as any other home buyer. Homebuyers must qualify with adequate credit, ability to pay, and meet our income guidelines. Applications are available on our website.

The purchase price of the house covers all of the costs of the house. On the last house we built, we had to meet the covenants of the neighborhood, so the family had to purchase a cement driveway and a garage in addition to the house. Any upgrades that were included in the house, were also included in the purchase price. The requirements of purchasing a Habitat house is that the buyers and volunteers put in the majority of the labor to help reduce the cost. Also, another advantage of purchasing a Habitat house is that the payments are more affordable than a bank. Up to this point in time, Habitat hasn't had to charge interest on our loans and we don't require mortgage payment insurance.

We raise money and write grants to be able to build and paint the houses. When we receive the house payments, they go into our Habitat house fund. We then reinvest this money into building more houses. Habitat purchases as many materials locally as possible. We hire local subcontractors when necessary.

We had a great summer with the Brush With Kindness program. This was funded through Valspar Paint, Madison Community Hospital, Midcontinent Media Foundation, Sioux Valley Energy, the Madison Jaycees, and KolorWorks Paint and Decorating. The recipient homeowners must not sell their home within 2 years or they pay back the cost. The donation from the Hospital and Jaycees helped to cover 2010's administrative fee for home owners. Valspar & Kolorworks has pledged to continue. We are now taking applications (available on our website) for next year. Help get the word out!



THANK YOU



Thank You to all the following donors for July -September 2010!

Without you - our local Habitat for Humanity would not be possible!

If we missed you or misspelled your name, we apologize. Please contact us.

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Dr Robert & Kathy Warren

George Furniss & Sandy Larson

Gerald & Alice Lange

Our apologies for omitting Hawk-eye Food Service Distributing in a previous list.

Thank you Hawkeye for your donation of food for Easy Entrees to make for us last December's recognition event!

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- Box of nails \$ 75.00
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- Paint sponsor \$ 100.00
- Volunteer time priceless!

