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A Note from Mike Sutton, President & CEO



Dear Habitat supporters – you are receiving the tenth edition of a monthly newsletter we’ve created, specifically designed for you – our Advisory Board Members, Board of Directors, Emeritus Trustees, Legacy Society Members, Community Builders Society Members, and major donors. The goal of this exclusive communication piece is to keep you better informed of current projects and future initiatives.

The month of March brought deep, transformational impact for our affiliate, and for Habitat affiliates around the country. From an \$11 Million donation from MacKenzie Scott, to over \$600,000 raised between our Community Builder's and Prohibition Party events, we couldn't be more appreciative of the support from our community. These significant funds will drive a deeper impact into the Pinellas and West Pasco communities, at a time that is needed more than ever. Whether you were one of our many donors, or you come to swing a hammer during National Volunteer Week, your support is making an impact in the 70 families we will serve throughout the next year.



Our impact as of today:

940

families served

739

homes built

201

a brush with kindness projects

607

homes funded overseas

Thank you for your ongoing partnership. Together, we will continue to move the mission forward to build homes, communities and hope.

Sincerely,

Mike Sutton, President & CEO
Habitat Pinellas and West Pasco



our mission

Seeking to put God's love into action, Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities and hope.

Transformational Gift

\$11 Million from MacKenzie Scott

Habitat for Humanity of Pinellas & West Pasco Counties, along with Habitat for Humanity International and 83 other U.S. Habitat affiliate organizations, recently received \$436 million in unrestricted giving from American author and philanthropist MacKenzie Scott. Of that, Habitat for Humanity of Pinellas & West Pasco Counties received \$11M. This transformational donation will substantially help further Habitat's vision of a community where everyone has equitable access to a safe, decent, and affordable place to call home.

"A donation like this is rare and has transformational impact," says Mike Sutton, president & chief executive officer for Habitat for Humanity of Pinellas & West Pasco Counties.

"MacKenzie's generosity and desire to support Habitat for Humanity will allow us to further address the affordable housing crisis and combat the extreme increase in cost of home. A typical Habitat home is costing us \$30,000 more than pre-pandemic, severely impacting our ability to advance and grow our mission. Ms. Scott is joining an amazing community of supporters that invest in our mission every day to ensure we keep moving forward."



Over the next five years, Habitat for Humanity of Pinellas & West Pasco Counties will use the \$11M to build more homes and to advocate for systemic and societal changes needed to improve equitable access to affordable housing.

Habitat for Humanity of Pinellas & West Pasco Counties' strategic plan calls for the organization to build 65 new homes in 2022, 70 new homes in 2023, and 75 new homes in 2024. This transformational gift from MacKenzie will ensure Habitat's ability to stay true to these strategic objectives of serving a record number of families over the next 3-5 years, despite the significant increase in cost of home. It will also

allow the organization to get a number of projects out of the ground including a 57-unit subdivision in Largo, a 25-unit subdivision in Clearwater, and a 30-unit subdivision in New Port Richey.

Habitat for Humanity of Pinellas & West Pasco Counties is an independent affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International, as part of an affiliate network of more than 1,110 U.S. based Habitat affiliates. This organization has been the second-largest Habitat affiliate annually based on new home construction for the last three years.

Signature Events

Community Builders Hours

Our first Community Builder's Hour of the year was a success! Community members in New Port Richey joined together at Spartan Manor to hear about the impact Habitat for Humanity is making on families throughout the service area.

Families like the Baxters and the Picis, who shared their story that morning, will have the opportunity to achieve homeownership - a dream that once seemed out of reach.

Are you interested in joining us for an upcoming event? Our St. Petersburg and Clearwater Community Builders Hours will be held on April 28th and May 12th. See details below for both events.



upcoming events

St. Petersburg
Thursday, April 28th | 7:30 am
Hilton Carillon

Clearwater
Thursday, May 12th | 11:30 am
Ruth Eckerd Hall

interested in becoming a table captain? contact Jenny Gonzalez-Bohnert at jgonzalez@habitatpwp.org or 727.536.4755 ext 220

current community builders society members

Alfredo Anthony
Aubrey Posey-Hitchcock
Barbara Wilhite
Bruce Terwilliger
Carlos Yepes
Carol Hague
Carolynn Rosse
Charles and Mary Franckle
Chuck Warrington
Craig and Jan Sher
Craig and Joan Conrad
Dana and Charlene Mayo
David and Nancy Ridenour
Dean and Diane Gobo

Don Cadle
Doug and Gwen Campbell
Dr. Fred and Emily Gurtman
Dwight Miller
Elizabeth Sellers
Ellen Hirsch de Haan
Elodie Dorso
Eric Seidel
Frank Starkey
Gaby Camacho
George and Carolyn Cretekos
Heather Ford
Jaime Girgenti
Jarrett Dixon

Jeff and Brandy Fishman
Jim and Allie Cantonis
Joe and Angelina Jimenez
Jordan and Melissa Myers
Karl Nurse
Ken and Kelly Ginel
Ken Rush
Kevin Hawkins
Linda Cliborne
Mark and Mary Roberds
Marlene Spalten
Matt Erickson
Mike Sutton
Morgan Brochetti

Pamela Lee
Patrick Blyeth
Patti Templeton
Randy Ware
Robert and Priscilla Hoag
Robin Waugh-Castle
Ronice Barlow
Scott and Julie Klavans
Sean and Ellen Bunner
Steve and Cathy Collins
TJ Haynes-Morgan
Todd St. John-Fulton

Signature Events

Roaring 20's Prohibition Party

On Friday, April 1st, the community came together to support the Habitat mission at the sold-out Roaring 20's Prohibition Party presented by Crown Automotive! The event at the Vinoy Renaissance Resort took guests back in time to the 1920s in celebration of the Habitat mission.

It was a roaring good night for Habitat! One that saw testimonials by homeowner Cheri Delguidici, and heard from families and individuals currently in the homeownership program. Those in attendance rallied behind an anonymous donor who kicked off the night with a generous **\$150,000** challenge donation.

Thanks to the support of our Prohibition Party sponsors and supporters, over **\$588,000** was raised to support affordable homeownership opportunities for deserving families.



Signature Events

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Rami & Mary Zohar

Upcoming Initiatives

National Volunteer Week

National Volunteer Week starts on Sunday, April 17th. Throughout the week, we will be celebrating the individuals who share the powerful vision of a world where everyone has a decent place to live.

Stay tuned on our blog, social media, and communications as we celebrate by highlighting our dedicated homeowner partners, weekday warriors, corporate partners, and individual volunteers. Habitat would not be the organization it is today without members of our community coming out to swing a hammer, help in our offices or work in the ReStores every year. We thank you for your donation of time!



ReStore Updates

Habitat ReStore New Port Richey Grand Opening; Palm Harbor Relocation Sale

Habitat for Humanity of Pinellas and West Pasco Counties will be celebrating the grand opening of its relocated New Port Richey Habitat ReStore on May 13th and 14th. The New Port Richey shopping center will provide a central donation and retail hub for the community.

The Palm Harbor ReStore will be relocating at the end of the month to the New Port Richey location. Throughout the month of April, shop the “Relocation Sale” for great deals on furniture and home improvement items – only at the Palm Harbor ReStore!

The Habitat ReStore home improvement centers are affordable and unique spots for shoppers looking for great deals on new and gently used furniture, appliances, home décor and building materials. Those looking to donate to the ReStore are able to schedule contactless pick-ups online at habitatpwp.org/restore or via phone at 727-209-2199.

palm harbor
relocation sale
4/1 - 4/30
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of Pinellas & West Pasco Counties
ReStore
SALE
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ReStore
shop the store
that builds
homes.
NEW PORT RICHEY
Habitat for Humanity
of Pinellas & West Pasco Counties
GRAND
OPENING
WEEKEND
MAY 13TH & MAY 14TH
NEW PORT RICHEY LOCATION
6431 US Hwy 19
New Port Richey, FL 34652
habitatpwp.org/restore 727-209-2199



Dedications & Events

Thursday, April 7th @ 9 am
Mitchell Home Dedication

Friday, April 15th @ 9 am
Dupuis Home Dedication

Monday, April 18th @ 8:30 am
Cup of Joe with the CEO - Pinellas

Tuesday, April 19th @ 4 pm
Lvea Home Dedication

Wednesday, April 20th @ 8:30 am
Cup of Joe with the CEO - Pasco

Monday, April 25th @ 9 am
Pici Home Dedication

Monday, May 16th @ 8:30 am
Cup of Joe with the CEO - Pinellas

Strategic Pillars

	<i>Apply</i>
	<i>Donate</i>
	<i>Volunteer</i>
	<i>Shop</i>
	<i>Advocate</i>

Save the Date: Signature Events

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visit us

Clearwater ReStore & Truist Education Center
13355 49th St N, Suite B Clearwater, FL 33762

Administrative HQ
14010 Roosevelt Blvd, Suite 704 Clearwater, FL 33762

St. Pete Resource Center
1350 22nd St S, St. Petersburg, FL 33712

(727) 536-4755 | habitatpwp.org

Palm Harbor ReStore
31541 US Highway 19 North Palm Harbor, FL 34684

New Port Richey ReStore COMING SOON!
6431 US Highway 19 North New Port Richey, FL

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