



Affiliate of Distinction 2015-2019

Now More Than Ever.
Help Build It!

January 9th, 2019

Dear Faith Leader,

At Genesee County Habitat for Humanity our mission is: *Seeking to put God's love into action, Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities and hope.*

We are digging down deep into our Christian roots in order to realize our vision of a world where everyone has a decent place to live. Habitat has **two Faith Builds** breaking ground spring of 2019 in the Village of Gaines and Flint Township. **We are hoping to raise an additional \$60,000 this year from our faith partners to help offset part of the cost to build these homes right here in Genesee County.**

History and Background

Founded in 1990, Genesee County Habitat for Humanity is one of nearly 1,400 United States affiliates of Habitat for Humanity International. Millard and Linda Fuller founded Habitat for Humanity International in 1976 with the vision of eliminating poor housing conditions and homelessness from the world.

Since our founding, we have built or rehabbed more than 450 homes throughout Genesee County. In 2015, we were named as an Affiliate of Distinction, placing us in the top 1% of Habitat for Humanity affiliates nationally for our high standards in excellence, leadership and innovation. In 2017 we received this distinction again covering the 2017-2019 period.

Habitat works throughout Genesee County to provide low-to-moderate income individuals and families with affordable housing options. Prospective Habitat Homeowner Partners are evaluated based upon three criteria, which are listed below:

- 1) Need for housing
- 2) Willingness to partner with Habitat
- 3) Ability to pay an affordable mortgage

There are many ways to support faith builds

We cannot reach our goals without your support. With this year's Faith Build we want to ensure that your congregation as a whole as well as your individual members feel like they are putting God's love into action and making a significant impact together. ***Please don't hesitate to call or email anytime with questions or to schedule us to come speak to your congregation.***

Included in this packet is:

1. Ways to help with Faith Builds
2. Sponsorship levels
3. 10 house coin banks
4. Lenten calendar

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Greg Hull".

Greg Hull
Development Director

Two handwritten signatures in blue ink. The first signature is "Monica M. Villarreal" and the second is "Pastor Max Hayden".

Pastor Monica Villarreal
Board Member

Pastor Max Hayden
Board Member

Ways to Support Faith Builds:

Please support our 2019 Faith Builds in the following ways:

1. Pick a time for Habitat staff and homeowner-partners to come speak with your congregation
2. Sponsor one of our faith builds (see attached sponsorship levels)
3. Schedule up to three build days for your congregants to help on the construction of a home
4. Involve your congregants by distributing Habitat house banks with Lent calendar (included)**
5. HAVE FUN!

As you can see from the table below all contributions, big and small, make a large impact.

\$10,000 equals one of the following:	Roof, site excavation, foundation walls
\$5,000 equals one of the following:	Siding, all windows, drywall, plumbing, electrical, furnace w/ductwork
\$3,000 equals one of the following:	Wall insulation, concrete for basement floor, driveway, all cabinets
\$1,000 equals one of the following:	Water heater, front porch, all interior doors, countertops
\$500 equals one of the following:	Exterior doors, bathroom fixtures and vanity, closet doors
\$250 equals one of the following:	Kitchen sink and faucet, storm doors, light fixtures
\$100 equals one of the following:	Grass seed and straw, ceiling fan, toilet
\$50 equals one of the following:	Mailbox, stair railings, porch lights

****Call Greg for additional boxes or box collection at 810-766-9089 ext. 210. Make all checks payable to Genesee County Habitat for Humanity**

**** If your congregation does not observe Lent, then we can manipulate the calendar to fit any "40 Days of Prayer" timeline. This is an important part of the Faith Build so that all individuals can feel like they've made an impact and everybody is more excited for the build day.**



2019 Faith Build Sponsorship Levels

Genesee County Habitat for Humanity is seeking sponsorships from local area churches to support the construction of two new homes right here in Genesee County. One home will be in the Village of Gaines and the other in Flint Township.

All proceeds from this event will stay in Genesee County and will be used to serve those in need of affordable housing. **We are hoping to raise an additional \$60,000 this year to help offset part of the cost to build two additional houses in Genesee County in 2019.** Since our founding, we have built, rehabilitated or repaired more than 450 homes throughout Genesee County. In 2015, we were named as an Affiliate of Distinction, placing the organization in the top 1% of Habitat for Humanity affiliates nationally for its high standards in excellence, leadership and innovation. We can't meet our goals without the generous support of our local faith partners. Please see available sponsorships below:

Platinum - \$10,000

- One to three build days for your congregation (Can donate your build days to other groups)
- Invitation to the home dedication
- Habitat partnership yard sign to display at church
- Framed photo of the homeowner partner
- Special Habitat partnership plaque
- Special handmade Habitat commemorative bench

Gold - \$5,000

- One to three build days for your congregation (Can donate your build days to other groups)
- Invitation to the home dedication
- Habitat partnership yard sign to display at church
- Framed photo of the homeowner partner
- Special Habitat partnership plaque

Silver - \$3,000

- One to three build days for your congregation (Can donate your build days to other groups)
- Invitation to the home dedication
- Habitat partnership yard sign to display at church
- Framed photo of the homeowner partner

Bronze - \$1,000

- One build day for your congregation (Can donate your build days to other groups)
- Invitation to the home dedication
- Habitat partnership yard sign to display at church

For more information on how to help build **strength, stability, self-reliance and shelter**, contact Greg Hull at 810-766-9089 ext. 210 or development@geneseehabitat.org

Lent Build 2019

40 days of prayer, service, and sacrifice

Count your blessings during Lent, and help Genesee County Habitat for Humanity raise money to help local families build strength, stability, and self-reliance.

Day 1: Ash Wednesday. For each year you've lived in your home, deposit 25¢. — *Matthew 25:35-40*
 Day 2: If your roof leaks, add \$1; if it doesn't, add \$2. — *Psalms 82:3-4*
 Day 3: If you have rain gutters, deposit 50¢, plus 25¢ for each downspout. — *Deuteronomy 15:4, 7-8, 10-11*
 Day 4: For each room in your house, deposit 25¢. — *Matthew 22:36-40*

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Day 23: Add 25¢ per window in your house. — *Proverbs 21:21*
 Day 24: Add 25¢ for each room that is carpeted. — *James 1:27*
 Day 25: Add \$1 for a one-car garage, \$2 for a two-car garage. — *Psalms 84:11-12*
 Day 26: Do you recycle garbage? If yes, deposit \$1; if no, deposit \$2. — *Isaiah 1:17*
 Day 27: If you have a fence around your yard, deposit \$1. — *Luke 4:18*
 Day 28: Add 50¢ for each smoke detector. — *Psalms 112:4-5*

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Day 5: For your living room, deposit \$1. — *Luke 14:15-24*
 Day 6: For each bathroom, deposit 75¢. — *Luke 21:4-4*
 Day 7: For each bedroom, deposit 50¢. — *Galatians 6:7-10*
 Day 8: For a dining room, deposit \$1. — *John 3:16-18*
 Day 9: For each closet in your house, deposit 25¢. — *Psalms 117*
 Day 10: For each heat register, deposit 25¢. — *Isaiah 42:5-9*

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Day 11: No trips to the well! Deposit 25¢ for each water faucet. — *Timothy 6:17-19*
 Day 12: If you have a pantry, deposit 75¢. — *Micah 6:6-8*
 Day 13: For each refrigerator, deposit 75¢. — *Psalms 10:17-18*
 Day 14: If you have a freezer, deposit 75¢. — *Matthew 10:8*
 Day 15: For the convenience of a microwave oven, deposit 75¢. — *Isaiah 61:3*
 Day 16: Enjoy a dishwasher and deposit 75¢. — *Ezekiel 16:5, 7-8*

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Day 17: For each electrical outlet in your house, deposit 25¢. — *Proverbs 14:31*
 Day 18: For each light fixture or lamp, deposit 25¢. — *Matthew 6:1-4*
 Day 19: For each TV, deposit \$1. Add 25¢ for each VCR, DVD, Blu-ray, or HD player. — *James 2:5*
 Day 20: For each garage door opener, deposit 75¢. — *Luke 10:33-34*
 Day 21: Add \$1 if you have a washing machine. — *Mark 10:21*
 Day 22: Deposit \$1 if you have a clothes dryer. — *Proverbs 31:9*

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Day 29: If your home has a security system, deposit \$2. — *Deuteronomy 16:20*
 Day 30: Deposit 75¢ if you have a water heater. — *Luke 6:20-26*
 Day 31: If you have a front yard, add \$1. — *Acts 2:42-47*
 Day 32: For each tree in your yard, deposit 25¢. — *Proverbs 19:17*
 Day 33: For each landline telephone, deposit 50¢. — *Luke 9:12-17*
 Day 34: For each computer in your house, deposit \$1. — *James 2:14-17*

SIXTH SUNDAY OF LENT — PALM SUNDAY

Day 35: Add 2¢ for each video game or DVD. — *John 10:9-11*
 Day 36: For each book in the house, add 1¢. — *Ruth 2:1-12*
 Day 37: If you have Internet access, add \$1. — *John 12:23-26*
 Day 38: For each cell phone, deposit \$1. — *Genesis 9:16-17*
 Day 39: Good Friday! If you have a backyard, add \$1. — *1 Corinthians 13:4-6*
 Day 40: What will you sacrifice to give others a more abundant life? — *Isaiah 42:1-3*

EASTER SUNDAY!

Thank you for your willingness to commit 40 days to focus your thoughts, prayers and actions on the need for decent, affordable housing.

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	1 (March 6th)	2	3	4
First Sunday of Lent	5	6	7	8
Second Sunday of Lent	11	12	13	14
Third Sunday of Lent	17	18	19	20
Fourth Sunday of Lent	23	24	25	26
Fifth Sunday of Lent	29	30	31	32
Sixth Sunday of Lent	35	36	37	38
Easter Sunday (April 21st)				