

Great Britain

Habitat for Humanity in Great Britain

Habitat for Humanity Great Britain was founded in January 1995 as a fundraising office to raise money and awareness for the global work of Habitat for Humanity. Based in Slough, near London, the national office works with individuals, corporate organisations, major donors, foundations, institutions and trusts. We support specific programs worldwide, send teams on Global Village trips and raise the profile of the charity in order to increase our fundraising.

How Habitat for Humanity Great Britain addresses the need around the world

Poverty is a complex issue. Through our focus on home at our core, Habitat for Humanity works with established partners in over 70 countries to offer a simple, sustainable solution. We partner with and serve low income families and individuals including orphans and vulnerable children, people with HIV/AIDS, the elderly, single mothers, ethnic minorities and internally displaced groups.

Our knowledge and resources are shared across the global Habitat family and with our partner organisations, with a united aim of restoring independence to families and communities who need our support, not our pity.

Habitat for Humanity GB support many global programs from an HIV/AIDS project in Cambodia, to land rights in Brazil. In Lebanon, Habitat for Humanity GB supported a pilot project to improve water supplies in Syrian refugee camps. We also fundraise for disaster response, raising over \$500,000 after the Nepal earthquake in April 2015.

Our other activities include:

- Building and renovating homes
- Disaster risk reduction and response
- Volunteering
- Water, sanitation and hygiene (WaSH)
- Advocacy, land and inheritance rights
- Microfinance
- Construction training
- Energy efficiency



COUNTRY FACTS*

Capital	London
Population	63.7 million

*Sources: CIA World Factbook

HABITAT FACTS

When Habitat started in Great Britain
1995

Funds raised
£42.3million

Volunteers mobilized
More than 5,500



Habitat for Humanity GB Homes

An affiliate of Habitat for Humanity Great Britain, HFHGB Homes was founded in 1996 by a group of local people who were concerned about housing in London and were passionate in their belief that communities needed to be active in providing solutions to the housing problems they face. HFHGB Homes is a local, voluntary sector response to housing, working outside the traditional mechanisms of supply in the public and private sectors. At its heart, HFHGB Homes is a movement grounded in the local community and a vehicle through which communities can respond to the need right on their doorstep.

Meet a Habitat for Humanity Great Britain Global Village volunteer

Global Village trips put into action our belief that everyone deserves a safe and decent place to live. Our GV volunteers witness first-hand the Power of Home to provide opportunities, health and security for a family and community. Whether our volunteers are building latrines in Ethiopia, plastering walls in Malawi or digging foundations in Romania, they bring hope to those living in extreme poverty, helping them to build a pathway out of poverty for themselves.

"If you zoom in on Cape Town on Google Earth, you can see the grey mass of shack towns around the city, but if you navigate to Mfuleni you can see an orange mass – a sea of red roofs – and as you go closer you can see the individual houses that Habitat for Humanity have built. It is incredible to see how the work has spread. Do a build! Get involved in something that allows you to immerse yourself in a local community, learn about people you would never normally meet and make a difference to their lives. It is immensely rewarding and brings a great deal of joy along the way. You catch the vision for change by meeting people and working alongside them even for a short while - so get out there!"

- Paul Williams, Global Village participant

What you can do

You can donate or volunteer to help families around the world have a safe and decent place to live.

DONATE

habitatforhumanity.org.uk/DonateNow

VOLUNTEER

Join one of the scheduled Global Village trips.

For more information go to:

habitatforhumanity.org.uk/volunteer-teams

PARTNER

If your corporation would like to support Habitat and partner with us, contact supporterservices@habitatforhumanity.org.uk

Corporate partnerships

Expedia

HFHGB and Expedia have recently collaborated on a cause related marketing campaign. Expedia donated a proportion of sales per flight and hotel booked to the Philippines. Their 5-figure donation will support economic development in the Bohol region of the country. We are currently discussing the next CRM campaign with the Expedia team.

Standard Chartered Bank

SCB provides ongoing disaster relief support to affected countries, including Nepal and the Philippines. SCB employees, together with match funding from the bank, raised hundreds of thousands of pounds for our response to the Nepal earthquake.

Albright Dene

Property planning experts Albright Dene have pledged to fund one new Habitat for Humanity home in Malawi for every three new dwellings they obtain planning consent for here in the UK. This year they will support 110 vulnerable individuals across two communities.



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