



# Legacies

A newsletter by the Planned Giving department  
of Habitat for Humanity® International

## Looking Toward the Future: A Message from Habitat's CEO

Dear Habitat Partner,

Habitat for Humanity just celebrated 30 years of building more than 200,000 simple, decent homes. More than one million people now live under Habitat roofs. That is a remarkable testament to the diligence, compassion and generosity of countless people in the U.S. and around the world—not the least of whom are the homeowner families.

During the 2006 National Leadership Conference in Charlotte, N.C., affiliate representatives and Habitat for Humanity International staff convened to celebrate our accomplishments over the past three decades and to prepare for the challenges that face us: chiefly the millions of families that endure daily the hardships of poverty housing. The need is immense, but so is our determination to seek new ways to meet that need, while never straying from our mission or core principles.

I know you share my eagerness to do more in Habitat's global drive to transform lives and communities and I am grateful for the contributions you make toward that end.

Last August 29, I was in New Orleans to mark the one-year anniversary of hurricane Katrina and to see the incredible recovery work Habitat affiliates are doing through-

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## Lexington Habitat Establishes Endowment in Memory of Volunteer

Pat Smith, long-time Habitat volunteer, was killed in the crash of Comair Flight 5191 Sunday, Aug. 27, 2006. He was en route to Gulfport, Miss., to build with the Kentucky-Mississippi Habitat Rebuilding Project. Smith was helping to organize the project which would build 13 houses for families displaced by Hurricane Katrina in 2005.

Smith had been an active Habitat volunteer for more than 15 years, serving on the local board for seven years, including three as president. He was named Habitat's National Volunteer of the Year in 2004 and was elected to Habitat for Humanity International's board of directors in October 2005. He had participated in Habitat builds in Ireland, India, Mexico and Ghana.

Since the tsunami in southeast Asia in 2004, Smith had led a group of volunteers from Kentucky to build 26 houses in Muzhukkuthurai and other villages in India.

"Pat's spirit will always be nudging us to the next idea. It's now paramount and up to us to dream huge and place our faith in action," said Lexington Habitat for Humanity CEO Grant Phelps in an interview with LEX 18, a Lexington television station.

Smith co-owned Versa Tech



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Automation, an industrial automation company in Lexington.

With his family's blessing, Lexington Habitat has established the Pat Smith Habitat for Humanity Endowment Fund in memory of Smith's service to people in need of safe, decent and affordable housing worldwide.

The entire Habitat family extends its deepest sympathy to Pat's wife, Jean, their children and grandchildren.

*By Kara Loftin, writer/editor, HFHI.*

### Donations may be sent to:

Pat Smith Habitat for Humanity  
Endowment Fund  
Lexington Habitat for Humanity  
1260 Industry Road  
Lexington, KY 40505

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out the Gulf Coast.

I met a woman in New Orleans named Cherice Harrison-Nelson. Cherice, who lost everything she had to Katrina, told me about attending Joseph Kohn Jr. High School as a child. She recalled how she was antagonized for being different and used to sit under a tree near a bike rack dreaming of a better life.

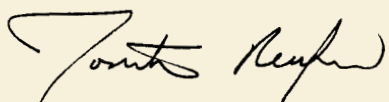
A school teacher for 24 years, Cherice has moved into a new, clean, permanent Habitat house on the very spot where she sat by the bike rack longing for happier days. The tree still stands, and Habitat's Musicians Village rests where the junior high school once stood, offering new opportunities for low-income musicians and others to reclaim their lives with decent, affordable housing in New Orleans.

Cherice's anticipation of her fresh start was palpable. It is deeply inspiring to know this kind of transformation is happening throughout the world—families finding new beginnings in safe, solid housing they can afford.

For Cherice and so many others, a new start means permanence and stability; it means longevity in a secure home. So even as Habitat celebrates its past, we look eagerly toward the future, toward the hope that we can renew for so many others—perhaps dreaming by a different bike rack, in a different town under different, but no less difficult, circumstances.

Thank you for all that you do to keep that hope alive.

Sincerely,



Jonathan Reckford  
Chief Executive Officer  
Habitat for Humanity International



Volunteers prepare the site of JCWP 2006 in Lonavala, India.

## JCWP 2006 Held in India

The 23rd annual JCWP will be held Oct. 30-Nov. 3, 2006, and will bring former U.S. President Jimmy Carter, his wife Rosalynn and other members of the Carter family and 2,000 volunteers to India to build homes with local families in need in Lonavala, Maharashtra. The weeklong event will shine a light on poverty housing in India and around the world and illustrate what can be accomplished when families, communities and nations come together to build a future where every man, woman and child has a decent place to live.

Habitat will work to provide decent homes for these families through JCWP, and indiaBUILDS, an ambitious five-year campaign organized by HFH India that aims to provide decent homes for 250,000 people in India by 2010. indiaBUILDS will mobilize 1 million volunteers and raise sufficient money for a sustainable US\$50 million revolving housing fund.

Thousands of volunteers will come from nations around the world, from within India and the surrounding region to join partner families in their efforts to build a stronger future for

their families and communities, and to show the world how lives can improve when people come together with a common goal. These volunteers and families are diverse in their backgrounds, but united in their goal to end poverty housing—in India and around the world.



# Habitat for Humanity Legacy Society

**T**he Habitat for Humanity Legacy Society recognizes the importance of legacy gifts in eradicating poverty housing. To become a member of the Habitat for Humanity Legacy Society, you must plan to benefit Habitat after your lifetime—whether in the form of a bequest, annuity or other planned giving arrangement—and notify Habitat of your plans.

Habitat for Humanity welcomes these new members to the Habitat for Humanity Legacy Society:

**Danielle T. Abbott**  
**Deanne Adams**  
**Betty J. Baer**  
**Margaret Barrett**  
**Wilfred and Jeanette Becker**  
**Ruth I. Black**  
**Janette L. Boehm**  
**Florence Bognar**  
**Irvin Braverman**  
**Peter and Alice Broner**  
**Gail S. Buckley**  
**Florence M. Burnett**

**Ruth W. Catton**  
**Sue B. Cole**  
**Gilbert and Patricia Davis**  
**Basil B. Dulin**  
**Anthea Duron**  
**Merlyn G. Evilsizor**  
**Nancy D. Faldon**  
**Robert and Heather Fleck**  
**Mary E. Flowers**  
**Marcella Frank**  
**Leroy and Ouida Garrett**  
**Roberta D. Gates**  
**Clifford and Linda Giffin**  
**Mary Nell Gillis**  
**Paul E. Gilman**  
**Eliot M. Girsang**  
**Donald and Barbara Graham**  
**Philip and Gloria Greenblat**  
**Florence E. Harshe**  
**Joseph R. Haun**  
**Richard and Janet Healy**  
**Julie Heger**  
**Marion A. Horn**  
**Walter J. Jacobs**  
**Yvonne Z. Johnson**  
**Robert and Marlene Karabinus**  
**Amy C. King**  
**Mary E. Kinnaird**

**Jean O. Kinney**  
**Jack W. Klund**  
**J. Arthur and Louise Larson**  
**Dorothea R. Lyman**  
**Wilbert and Nancy Lyons**  
**Alice A. MacCallum**  
**Janet E. Mattes**  
**Katrina E. Meredith**  
**Ruth H. Meyer**  
**Masakazu and Mary Patricia Miyagi**  
**Anne M. Morlan**  
**Ronald and Wanda Mourant**  
**Gary Neustadter and Patricia Rauch**  
**Mary Ognibene**  
**Suzanne Ornstein**  
**Vivian W. Otto**  
**Carmen B. Pappas**  
**Joyce D. Passer**  
**Ed and Lois Reid**  
**Dorothy R. Roedder**  
**Ruth Roesler**  
**Ferdinand and Diane Schlapper**  
**Joseph and Lois Schuld**  
**Rose Mary Schwent**  
**Edward and Vivian Shearer**  
**Edna R. Smith**  
**Marion Steininger**  
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## The Charitable Gift Annuity

*A Simple Blueprint for Building the Future*

### Here's How It Works:

1. You transfer cash or securities to Habitat for Humanity International.
  2. Habitat for Humanity International makes fixed payments to you for as long as you live.
  3. After your lifetime, remaining funds are released to build more houses.
- Gift annuities can also make payments to two persons and may provide substantial tax savings. Annuity payments can begin immediately, or they may be deferred until a later date. Annuity contracts are backed by the full faith and credit of Habitat for Humanity International.

For a personalized charitable gift annuity illustration, please contact the Planned Giving department:  
phone » (800) 422-4828, Ext. 2253 e-mail » [plannedgiving@habitat.org](mailto:plannedgiving@habitat.org)

### Single Life

Age: 60 Rate: 5.7%  
Age: 70 Rate: 6.5%  
Age: 80 Rate: 8.0%  
Age: 90+ Rate: 11.3%

### Two Lives

Ages: 60 & 65 Rate: 5.5%  
Ages: 70 & 75 Rate: 6.1%  
Ages: 80 & 85 Rate: 7.3%  
Ages: 85 & 90 Rate: 8.4%

Rates became effective July 1, 2006, and are subject to change without notice.

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Legacy Society  
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- William Talero
- Roberta K. Tower
- Henry and Grace Van Dongen
- Johanna A. Vanden Berg
- Robert and Elsie Warn
- Louise K. Weaver
- John L. Welborn
- Virginia A. Weyres
- Emerson and Elisabeth Willard
- Richard E. Wilson
- Paul A. Wolf
- Wendell E. Zipse

If you have questions about the Habitat for Humanity Legacy Society or would like to join, please contact the Planned Giving department at (800) HABITAT Ext. 2253, or [plannedgiving@habitat.org](mailto:plannedgiving@habitat.org).

## Contact us

There are several ways you can find out more information about planned giving:

**Write:**

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Habitat for Humanity International  
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Americus, GA 31709-3498

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**E-mail:** [plannedgiving@habitat.org](mailto:plannedgiving@habitat.org)

**Web:** [www.habitat.org/giving/planned](http://www.habitat.org/giving/planned)

# HFHI Opens Administrative Headquarters in Atlanta

On April 19, 2006, Jonathan Reckford, Habitat for Humanity International CEO, announced that HFHI would locate its new administrative headquarters in downtown Atlanta.

“Having operational headquarters in Americus and administrative headquarters in Atlanta is a long-term approach for achieving the dramatic growth envisioned in Habitat’s strategic plan,” said Reckford. “While Atlanta as an administrative headquarters offers more immediate access to transportation, specialized skills and services, Americus as an operational hub offers the economy of established offices and access to an experienced Habitat workforce. This plan is one that allows us to honor our past and our on-going dedication to South Georgia, while positioning us for an even stronger future as a more collaborative global organization.”

The administrative headquarters in Atlanta opened Aug. 1 and occupies 27,632 sq. ft. of leased space at 270 Peachtree St. The office has space for up to 115 offices, but in the immediate future will house 45 members of HFHI’s staff members from Americus and 20 from Habitat worldwide.

Commitments

from the City of Atlanta, building owner Richard Bower, HFHI board member Ron Terwilliger, local corporations Delta and Air Tran and a local private foundation have enabled HFHI to open the Atlanta office without diverting any funds from house building.

“Their support gives us a window of funding for the first four years of operations,” said Mark Crozet, senior vice president, Resource Development. “We are humbled by the support of all our partners that have made it possible for us to ensure that no funds have been taken from Habitat’s work of eradicating substandard housing.”

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HFHI’s administrative headquarters at 270 Peachtree St., Atlanta, Ga.