Our case for support

Help families build strength and stability.

Since 1976, Habitat for Humanity has helped more than 39 million people build homes, communities and hope.

Paula volunteers with Habitat's RV Care-A-Vanners in Fort Myers, Florida.
The problem is vast

According to UN-HABITAT, 40% of people around the world will live in inadequate housing by 2030 unless they receive assistance from the global community.
The need for housing

- **Over 37 million** households in the U.S. pay more than 30% of their income on housing. **Forty-seven percent** of these households pay more than 50% of their income on housing, according to the 2021 *State of the Nation’s Housing* report.

- A 2021 AARP survey found that **77%** of older Americans want to remain in their homes for the long term, and **34%** recognize they may need to make physical changes to their house, such as modifying a bathroom or installing ramps in their homes.

- Harvard University’s Joint Center for Housing Studies estimates that **44%** of U.S. households need step-free entrances and showers, lever-style handles, or other features to make homes accessible. Unfortunately, **fewer than 4%** of homes contain sufficient accessibility features for elderly residents or those with moderate mobility disabilities. **Only 1%** have adequate features for people with more severe disabilities, many of whom are elderly.

- **More than 1.65 million** veterans are cost-burdened, meaning the cost of housing is **more than 30%** of their income, according to the Housing Assistance Council Veterans Data Center.

- At all income ranges, homeownership rates are lower for Black households than for white households. The U.S. Census Bureau reported that the rate of **Black homeownership is 44.1%**, whereas the rate of **white homeownership is 74.5%**.
The idea that became Habitat for Humanity grew from the fertile soil of Koinonia Farm, a community farm outside of Americus, Georgia, that was established to serve as a demonstration plot for the kingdom of God. Historically we are, and we continue to be, a space where people of all races, all faiths and all backgrounds can come together in a common cause. Habitat is uniquely suited and committed to increasing access to affordable, decent housing, and working toward diversity, equity and inclusion both internally and in the communities we serve.

As communities were experiencing a housing crisis that was exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic, we launched a networkwide fundraising initiative and supported advocacy work in communities across the United States and around the world. We worked to connect people and help our neighbors, and we were there alongside families as they built back from adversity.
Feel the impact

• In Greater Cleveland Habitat for Humanity’s Homeownership Impact Survey, 65% of Habitat homeowners reported better physical health since purchasing their home.

• In a survey by Habitat for Humanity of Wake County in North Carolina, more than 50% of respondents had pursued further education or training since moving into their Habitat homes. The majority of households with children over the age of 18 have seen them graduate from high school, and another third have had children go on to college.

• In a survey of over 100 homeowners who partnered with Habitat of Metro Denver in Colorado, 75% felt they spend more quality time with their family since moving into their home.

• A survey of Habitat for Humanity Greater Sacramento’s first 100 families found that since receiving their Habitat home, 57% of families have more savings, 48% of families feel more connected to the community, and 0% of families previously on food stamps remained on food stamps.

Home is now a haven for Jessica and her family

Jessica, Brent and their three daughters live with multiple long-term health conditions. Brent needs a kidney transplant, and two of their daughters have consistent health issues that require ongoing care and surgery. Their new home, built with Topeka Habitat for Humanity in Kansas, is bigger and healthier and provides peace of mind for the future. The three-bedroom, two-bathroom home has wide hallways and doors to accommodate their oldest daughter’s wheelchair and has enough space for her sister’s and dad’s medical supplies. It has been an amazing change from their previous home, which was very small and unaffordable because of rising rent, high utility bills and the family’s substantial medical debt.

Jessica’s schedule is very busy as a special education paraprofessional at an elementary school and the primary caretaker for her family. It was tough, but she worked hard and completed the sweat-equity hours necessary to become a Habitat homeowner. Since moving into their home, Jessica and Brent have been able to budget, save and plan for the future. Recently, Jessica received more good news when she was approved to be a living kidney donor for Brent. Jessica says that “knowing my kids are going to have a safe place, a gathering place, a haven” will have a huge, lasting impact on her family.
See the results

Our work focuses on increasing access to homeownership and housing finance, improving housing affordability and quality, helping communities prepare for and respond to natural disasters, and building strong and resilient neighborhoods.
Our work includes:

**New construction** with houses and sustainable work processes designed specifically for their local settings and using locally available materials.

**Improving and repairing existing houses.** In the U.S., this work is done as part of our neighborhood revitalization and disaster response efforts.

**Advancing Black homeownership** in the U.S., which we are co-developing with local Habitat affiliates, and continuing work in neighborhoods across the U.S. alongside residents and partner organizations to foster equitable, livable and sustainable communities through neighborhood revitalization efforts.

**Working alongside the families who partner with us** and ensuring that each family invests their time and effort into building their own home and the homes of others. This sweat equity can take many forms — from construction to working in a Habitat ReStore — and includes homeowner classes where families learn about their mortgage, insurance, maintenance, safety and more.
We are aided by our volunteer-led model

In FY2021, Habitat mobilized more than 500,000 volunteers to build, advocate and raise awareness about the worldwide need for shelter.
We are built on a foundation of faith
While personal faith is not always the motivating factor for all Habitat volunteers, our mission has always been based on the idea that we serve God by serving others. Habitat partners with all people — of all faiths or of no faith — whether they are seeking housing or joining us to help.

Building the Beloved Community
In addition to being a space where people of all races, all faiths and all backgrounds can come together in common cause, we commit to being actively anti-racist and to affirming, through word and action, that Black lives matter and that our communities and systems must further this fundamental truth. We will do the work in our practices, our programs and our networks that brings equity to our efforts and helps bring justice to the communities in which we work. We will, throughout our ministry, connect issues of racial and social injustice with historic barriers to affordable housing and work to eradicate those barriers.

“"I always remind our crew: Look at the families that we’re building with here. Think about the effect our work will have on the homeowners and the next generation and the next generation.”

CLIFF, a Habitat volunteer in Sacramento, California

“"I am passionate about affordable housing because it’s one of those things that impacts everything else: finances, health, education. So, while getting one family into affordable housing won't change the whole world, it will change the world for that family. It’s why I love what I do.”

LIZ, a Habitat volunteer in Raleigh, North Carolina

God, teach us humility so that we may listen, confess and forgive, serve in relationship with the poor, persevere in our mission, unify as one body with many different parts, and act with courage and boldness.

Amen.
Habitat for Humanity's strategic plan looks at the number of individuals impacted by our work. We report our work as a mix of households and individuals, and so, to present our figures as individuals, we multiply by five the number of households served by our international work, and we multiply by four (or by two for rehabs) the number of households served by our work in the U.S. and Canada. The data presented at right have been through this conversion.

*In April 2022, Habitat's Europe, Middle East and Africa office was split, creating an Africa area office and a Europe and Middle East area office. The numbers presented here were tallied before that change and therefore are categorized together.*
financial statements

**FY2021**

**Audited consolidated**

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**Unaudited combined**

The audited financial statements of Habitat for Humanity International reflect only part of Habitat’s work around the world. As autonomous nonprofit organizations, Habitat for Humanity affiliates and national organizations keep their own records of revenues and expenditures.

To better demonstrate the magnitude of the movement, we annually compile combined (unaudited) financial amounts for Habitat for Humanity in total. For the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2020, we estimated the total impact of the entire Habitat for Humanity mission was as follows:

**Total net assets of $3.2 billion**

**Total revenue of $2.3 billion**

**FY2020 use of funds**

| Program | $1.9 billion |
| Fundraising | $171 million |
| Management and general | $196 million |

**FY2020 sources of funds**

| Contributions and grants | $746 million |
| Donated product | $817 million |
| Sales of homes | $593 million |
| Other income | $175 million |

A Habitat volunteer in Atlanta, Georgia.

Our work in **more than 70 countries** and **across all 50 states** in the U.S. has helped transform the lives and communities of **more than 39 million people** through housing since 1976.

With the help of **more than 500,000** volunteers in the past year, Habitat served **more than 11,600 individuals** each day.
Habitat’s Global Impact Fund moves our mission forward by providing the most crucial funding possible so that we can respond to the most critical needs:

- Leveraging resources to respond to the world’s housing need.
- Building the capacity of our global network.
- Investing wisely to sustain our programs through tough economic times.
- Designing innovative programs that reach ever-growing numbers of families.
- Practicing good stewardship in order to increase our efficiency and ensure the trust of our generous donors.

Help us today.