





Ramps

### **Looking for the Perfect Gift? We've Got It!**

Hunting for the perfect gift for the strong, amazing women in your life? Honor your loved ones by giving strength, self-reliance and shelter to a family through 1000 Women Strong-Habitat Sangamon.

"1000 Women Strong-Habitat Sangamon is 1,000 women networking, learning, and providing the funding and muscle to build - not just a house, but long-term stability for a hardworking, low-income family in Sangamon County," explained Habitat for Humanity of Sangamon County (HFHSC) Executive Director Colleen Stone. "About eighty percent of the families HFHSC serves are single moms with children. We're asking 1,000 women to donate \$100 each to provide the funding to build a Habitat home together!"



The campaign is at 25% of goal. Joining the campaign by February will raise the \$100,000 in resources needed to build this Habitat home in Spring 2018.

While not everyone wants to or is able to build, all are excited about lending a hand up to a family like Shawna Meredith's.

"I am thrilled to be a homeowner, but even more overjoyed by the freedom and independence Elisia, who uses a wheelchair, has in our new home," said Meredith. "She has complete access, in the house and out. It's been life-changing for all of us."

Meredith renovated her home alongside Habitat volunteers and will be building with 1000 Women Strong-Habitat Sangamon to end poverty housing and transform another family's future.

To join 1000 Women Strong-Habitat Sangamon or for information about HFHSC programs, visit Habitat at 2744 S 6th Street, www.habitatsangamon.com, or contact Shayne Squires at 217-523-2710, ext. 222.

#### Habitat - A Hand Up

Under Habitat's program, Partner Families:

- serve sweat equity hours
- are willing to partner with Habitat
- must have the ability to pay a zero interest, affordable mortgage payment to HFHSC after the home is built (including property taxes and homeowner insurance, this payment won't exceed 30% of their gross income)

#### 称 Contact Habitat! 🞧

They're two separate programs, but there's one place to contact to donate gently used or new items to the ReStore or schedule the city of Springfield's large item disposal service year-round: Habitat for Humanity of Sangamon County (HFHSC).

Schedule either of these services through Habitat at 217-523-2710, Monday -Friday, 9am-4pm, Information is also available at www.habitatsangamon.com.

### Helping Homeowners Stay in Their Homes One Ramp at a Time

Handicap-accessible ramps are helping low-income individuals and families stay in their homes thanks to Habitat volunteers and a grant received from King's Daughters Organization.

"Providing accessibility through the wheelchair ramp program is in keeping with Habitat's mission of creating and sustaining simple, decent, affordable housing for all people in need," said Executive Director Colleen Stone. "Instead of being forced to move, a ramp allows low-income homeowners to safely live at home."

Contact Scott Saunders, Construction Manager for application and income guidelines at 217-523-2710, ext. 221 or visit www.habitatsangamon.com/wheelchairramps.





Habitat is proud to partner with SOB festival (a part of the Conn Family Community Works), Catholic Diocese Campaign for Justice and Hope, Hickory Point Bank, Tom Cullen Family, Anne Capestrain, the annual build campaign donors, and Westminster Presbyterian Church to make this Habitat home possible.

Habitat is recruiting volunteers for this and future
Habitat projects in Sangamon County. For more information or to join the efforts to eliminate poverty housing, call 217-523-2170 or visit www.habitatsangamon.com

In Sangamon County, over 6,000 families live in poverty housing – housing that is overcrowded, unsafe or unhealthy, or where more than 30% of monthly income is spent on housing.

#### **Shop Habitat ReStore**

Furniture, antiques, kitchen and bathroom cabinets, doors, windows, Pinterest and DIY supplies, tools, building supplies, and more!

#### Tues – Fri, 10am – 6pm Sat, 10am – 5pm

The Donation Center is open during ReStore business hours.

Check out Chill & Build: Bring your enthusiasm to build and repurpose items for the ReStore, 10:30am to 3pm, usually the 2nd Saturday of each month. Register online or visit the ReStore checkout counter.

Thank you for building houses and hope with Habitat!

## Our 106<sup>th</sup> Family is Home Sweet Home!

In June, Habitat for Humanity of Sangamon County dedicated a home for its 106<sup>th</sup> family, Kyla Overby & Tim Anders.

Central Illinois Presbyterian Churches, supporters, more than 300 volunteers, and UIS Springfest came together to build. Other partnerships included the Central Illinois Foodbank, which provided a week's worth of food and other essentials.

# Home Renovation Underway for 107<sup>th</sup> Family

A generous donor gave a large, older home to Habitat. Now, with the funding secured, the Herrods are working alongside Habitat volunteers renovating their future home in Enos Park.

Charlene and Chris Herrod, and their three children, became a Habitat for Humanity of Sangamon County (HFHSC) Partner Family three years ago. Deb Weiner, a Habitat volunteer and nurturer, has accompanied the Herrods to their home ownership classes. As a Habitat homeowner, Deb has also been able to share the ins and outs of the process.



This handicap-accessible home and Central Illinois Presbyterian Build was made possible by the following churches and community supporters:

Buffalo Hart Presbyterian Church (Williamsville); Central Presbyterian Church (Petersburg); Chatham Presbyterian Church (Chatham); Farmingdale Presbyterian Church (Pleasant Plains); Federated Church (Carlinville); First Presbyterian Church (Springfield); First Presbyterian Church (Virden); Green view United Church and United Presbyterian (Greenview); Hope Presbyterian Church (Springfield); Indian Point United Presbyterian (Athens); Third Presbyterian Church (Springfield); Westminster Presbyterian Church (Springfield); Wells Fargo Mortgage; City of Springfield; University of Illinois at Springfield; International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 193; Duggins Design Center; Dick Van Dyke Appliance World; Vendor Fair participants organized by Kyla Overby and Tim Anders; Illinois Housing Development Authority; Federal Home Loan Bank; International Union of Painters and Allied Trades DC 58 J.A.T.F.; Evans Recycling, Mohan Building, and P.J. Giacomini (Zaffiri Concrete).

Watch for Home #107 Dedication details and plan to join us at this special event!

