



Wisconsin Rapids Area Habitat for Humanity

December 2015



Happy Holidays from Our Homes to Yours!

*The Wisconsin Rapids Area Habitat For Humanity
Board of Directors*

are grateful for the support and enthusiasm shown to our organization. We have built 16 homes in South Wood County since receiving our covenant with Habitat International in 1994. Modest homes for low-income recipients take vacant lots and turn them into homes for hard working families while improving tax revenue for the community.

Board members offer support to families at their request, helping sustain pride and success in home ownership. In the near future, two of our first homeowners will have their Habitat mortgages fully paid! We are looking forward to helping these two families celebrate attaining this milestone in our organization's history.

*We wish you a Happy Holiday Season and
prosperous New Year!*

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The Gonzalez Family: From Left to Right: Iycis (11 years), Diego (9 years), Florentino Gonzalez, Jayden (13 years), Nicole Gonzalez, and Jazmine (10 years).

Introducing the Habitat 2015-2016 Home Recipients

Florentino Gonzalez and his family are the recipients chosen by the Board of Directors to work beside Habitat volunteers for our 17th home project. Florentino works in construction and is excited to clear a lot and get started on his home. His skills will blend well in the Habitat requirements for sweat equity in the home. Nicole and Florentino have a strong faith and vision for their family. These children have the brightest smiles of any we have worked beside and they too are willing helpers. It will be an exciting spring and summer for this family and our building volunteers who are anxious to get started.

We are getting an earlier start than normal for this home. Florentino has been working with Board members to prepare for the financial responsibilities of home ownership. The home will be built in Wisconsin Rapids; lot arrangements are pending and building plans are being finalized. Watch for spring news when we are ready for work crews to support the building.

Web Site Development

This spring the Board welcomed Dennis Gaskill who is volunteering his skill to build and maintain a web site for us:

www.wrahfh.org

The web site, still being developed, will contain:

- Newsletters
- Information about Habitat for Humanity
- Application process information
- Services
- Home progress pictures
- Fundraising Events
- Contact information
- Affiliates and Supporters



SHARING OUR STORY

Does your church, business or organization struggle finding presenters to join your meetings?

We enjoy sharing our story about Habitat's mission to eliminate substandard housing with a hand up instead of a hand out.

Contact us to schedule a short introduction and a slide show of completed homes.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

The Board is seeking volunteers who can assist ReStore truck drivers to pick up donations in South Wood County.

This is an intermittent time commitment that can be scheduled to your availability.



If you would like an opportunity to become involved in a way that offers

scheduling flexibility, please call us to get more details!

ReStore Has Been A Beneficial Partnership

Restore outlets accept building material and household goods for re-sale. WRAHFH is affiliated with the ReStore in Mauston. ReStore will pick-up tax deductible donations by appointment.

The store sends a truck with a driver and a local volunteer assists to load donations. WRAHFH receives proceeds from goods donated from South Wood County. These donations fund our building materials.

Remember ReStore for your next home remodeling project. They are located at:

N3696 Hwy 12-16, Mauston, WI.

Store hours are:

Tuesday-Friday 10:00-5:00

Saturday 9:00-4:00

Contact ReStore at 608-847-2000.

Local businesses and craftsmen sponsor Wisconsin Rapids Habitat by donating building supplies, appliances, and their professional labor skills.

Please remember to buy locally and support them in return!

ReStore accepts:

Furniture, books, building materials, electrical items, household goods, exercise equipment, antiques/collectibles, DVDs, toys, tools, outdoor furniture., working appliances.

Habitat for Humanity

Mission Statement

Habitat for Humanity works in partnership with God and people everywhere from all walks of life, to develop communities with people in need by building and renovating houses so that there are decent houses in decent communities in which every person can experience God's love and can live and grow into all that God intends.

WE COULD USE YOUR HELP!

PLEASE LET US KNOW YOUR INTEREST OR IF YOU WANT MORE INFORMATION . WE CAN ADAPT TO YOUR TIME CONSTRAINTS AND TAILOR YOUR SKILLS TO OUR PROJECTS.

WE CURENTLY NEED VOLUNTEER FOR ASSISTING RESTORE TRUCK PICK UP DONATIONS AND PLANNING FUNDRAISING.

What We Do:

WRAHFH partners with families in need, volunteer laborers, and local businesses to build modest, affordable homes.

Habitat homes are sold to partner families at no profit, financed with affordable, no-interest loans.

The homeowners' pay monthly mortgage payments that are used to build more Habitat homes.

Habitat volunteers work with families to succeed in home ownership.

We appreciate your ongoing financial support.

Please send your tax deductible contributions to:

Wisconsin Rapids Area Habitat for Humanity

PO Box 1134

Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495-1134

Name: _____

Address: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Thank you for your support!