

# community connections

August 2024



## Celebrating 23 New Homeowners



As we kicked off National Homeownership Month in June, we celebrated 23 new homeowners in Northeast Austin. Austin Mayor Kirk Watson issued a proclamation declaring June 7th, 2024, as Austin Habitat for Humanity Day! This recognition highlights our commitment to providing affordable homeownership options to families and individuals, ensuring they can experience the American Dream. With the support of our fantastic community and partners, we're making strides in building a better future for everyone. Thank you to Mayor Watson and the City of Austin for supporting our mission to build more affordable housing and create lasting change in our community.

# Persimmon Point



Are you dreaming of owning an affordable home in Austin? We invite you to learn more about Persimmon Point, our largest development to date! This vibrant multi-family community in Southeast Austin will offer 126 beautifully designed flats and townhomes starting at just \$155,000, perfect for individuals and families with many floorplans available. The first units will be available for occupancy in early 2025! Scan the QR Code to learn more about our program qualifications and how you can join this one-of-a-kind community.



## Mueller Foundation

July marks the first anniversary of HomeBase serving as the program administrator for the Mueller Affordable Homes Program in partnership with Catellus. HomeBase is Austin Habitat's sister organization that works with builders, developers, local government, and homebuyers to provide homeownership options for qualifying buyers. As we celebrate this occasion, we are thrilled to announce that we have helped place 67 households in new homes! We look forward to serving more families as we expand this partnership with the Mueller Foundation.

## Homeowner Spotlight

Congratulations to Jacob and Lindsay on becoming homeowners with Austin Habitat for Humanity! Your journey to homeownership is an inspiration, and we are thrilled to have been a part of it. Welcome to your new home!



## National Make-A-Will Month

August is National Make-A-Will Month! Unleash your power to build strong, stable communities in Central Texas. By creating a will, you protect loved ones, direct your assets, and gain peace of mind. Austin Habitat, serving Bastrop, Blanco, Caldwell, Hays, and Travis Counties, has partnered with FreeWill to help you create a will in just 20 minutes at no cost. Including a gift to Austin Habitat is optional but creates a lasting legacy of empowering families through homeownership. Scan the QR code to get started today.



## Celebrating Our Volunteers

Our recent volunteer appreciation party was a hit, with about 100 volunteers joining Austin Habitat staff for an evening of food and fun. Our Engagement Team honored outstanding volunteers with a commemorative hammer. In April 2024 alone, our volunteers donated over 6,844 hours on construction sites and 2,182 hours at our ReStores. We greatly appreciate everyone's hard work and dedication!



## ReCreatelt



We're excited to share that ReCreatelt, our innovative project to transform plastic waste into sustainable home goods, has received a 3-year award from the National Science Foundation! In collaboration with Austin Habitat for Humanity ReStores and supported by the NSF's Convergence Accelerator, ReCreatelt will help repurpose plastic waste and empower our local communities. At our Ben White ReStore, homeowners will be able to customize home goods from recycled plastic using cutting-edge 3D printing technology. This initiative not only tackles environmental issues but also provides valuable skills and opportunities for our ReStore employees, fostering a more sustainable and connected community.



## Women Build Wrap-Up

May was a big month for Austin Habitat for Humanity as we kicked off our annual Women Build. The community joined us on-site as we brought together women from all walks of life to support our mission of building affordable homes for our community. Thank you to all the dedicated individuals who came together to showcase the power of unity and compassion. Scan the QR code to watch the KVUE-TV feature and hear from future homeowner Melissa about what this opportunity means for her.



## Schedule a Donation Pick-Up

Donate your gently used household items to ReStore and help us build safe, affordable homes for families in our community! Please drop off your items at one of our three ReStore donation centers or schedule a hassle-free pick-up through our website. Have larger items or too much to haul? We've got you covered!

Scan the QR Code to schedule a convenient pick-up, and we'll come to you.



Or bring your items to one of our three Donation Centers:

### Ben White ReStore

500 W Ben White Blvd, Austin, TX 78704

### Lake Creek ReStore

13804 US-183, Austin, TX 78750

### San Marcos ReStore

2521 I-35, San Marcos, TX 78666



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## Builders Ball 2024

Join us this fall at Builders Ball to celebrate the transformative impact of our mission. With a steadfast commitment to creating affordable homeownership, Austin Habitat empowers families to forge brighter futures in Austin and across Central Texas.

At Builders Ball, you'll be immersed in an evening of inspiration and community, where your support directly helps us build stable, thriving neighborhoods. Scan the QR code to learn more and get involved!



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