

ANNUAL REPORT 2022



Letter from the Executive Director

Dear friends of the Battle Creek Area Habitat for Humanity,

It was a great year for Habitat! We were able to close on three homes, two of which were side by side in the Washington Heights neighborhood of Battle Creek. The third house was in Albion.

We also restarted our wheelchair ramp program, thanks to volunteers, and were able to complete fourteen ramps throughout the county. Thanks to the Disability Network of Southwest Michigan, Eaton Corporation and Old National Bank for funding many of these ramps.

We also started a new program. Using MSHDA grants, we are able to complete critical repairs for Calhoun county residents in desperate need of repairs. This program will fund roof repairs, new furnaces, disability modifications, electrical updates, and more. We also have access to funding for disabled veterans for critical repairs though the scope of work that can be done has a wider range.

Thanks to all our volunteers and community partners for a great year!

Sincerely,

Robert Phillips
Executive Director



Before



After

Our mission:

Seeking to put God's love into action, Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities, and hope.

Homeownership

At Battle Creek Area Habitat for Humanity we believe it is a basic human right that everyone has access to safe, stable, and affordable housing. We want to help you build a better life for you and your family that will last generations. Side by side we will help you build a new home and help you learn the skills to become a successful homeowner.

The benefits of homeownership are vast. Families in a safe and affordable home often see increases in graduation rates, health, and for many this is the first that they have a pathway out of poverty. They also see decreases in children's behavioral issues, lessen reliance on government assistance, and much more. Over the twelve month period of July 2021 through June 2022 we were able to close on three homes including two in Battle Creek and one in Albion.

"I am the proud homeowner of 46 Rose Street. Prior to becoming a Habitat Homeowner, my 4 children and I were living with my mother in a small 900 square foot house. The house was old, you could feel the wind blowing through the cabinets in the kitchen and smell the water damage in the basement. My younger 2 and I were all in the same small room together. Since I am a single mom I knew it would be hard to afford a house big enough for the 5 of us, especially in this economy! I started my sweat equity hours and the first day I walked into this house I knew it was our home! Working with the volunteers never felt like work, it was always so much fun! They made this house beautiful for us. And they became a second family to me. I am forever grateful for all they did for our home. We now live in a 1600 square foot home that we very much love and enjoy." - Crystal, Battle Creek



Our vision:

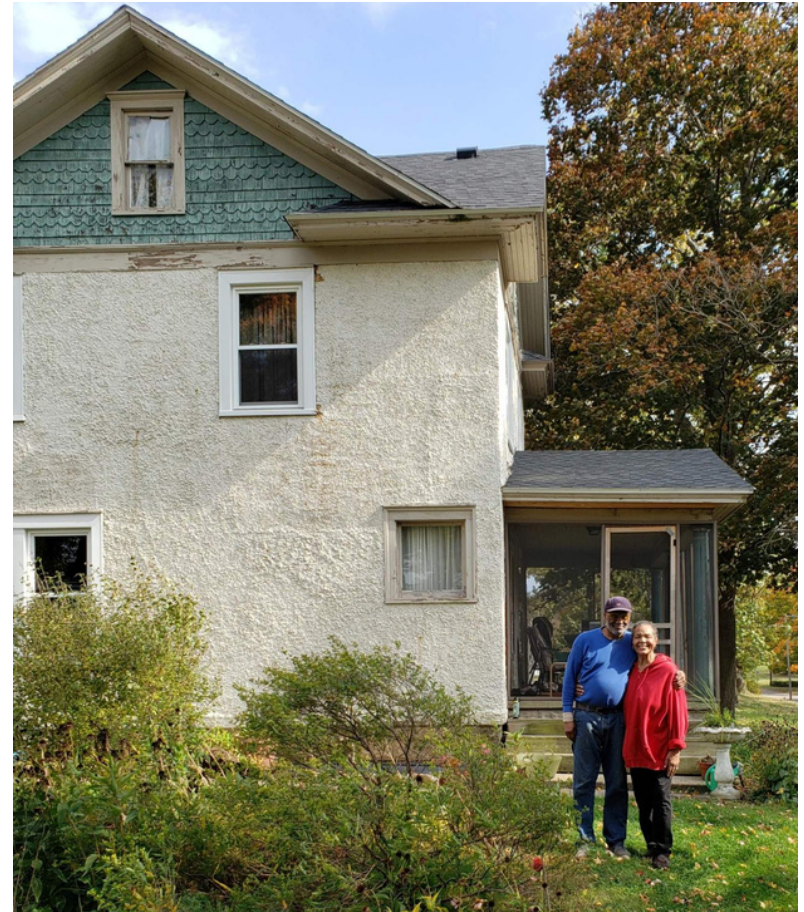
A world where everyone has a decent place to live

Critical Repairs

Our Priority Home Repair program has significantly grown over the last year. We are currently working on serving our twelfth family this year! The Priority Home Repair Program helps those with existing homes with demonstrated financial need receive help in ways such as the repair of their roof, a new furnace, a new shower, and in one case, the repair of her well line so she could have water again for the first time in ten months!

This program has many funding sources such as HHPG, MSHDA, The Veteran's Trust Fund, Repair Corps, and others. It is available to veterans and civilians of any race, color, sex and gender-- without discrimination. We are very excited about this program and hope you are as well!

"We were introduced to Habitat for Humanity this past year. Prior to that we knew very little about the organization. They came, they listened to our concerns and they have got things done! They installed a side door, poured concrete, completed a new roof, and updated our furnace. Needless to say, we have been over the moon with appreciation because Habitat has been a God-sent to us. We thank you Habitat for Humanity for being that reaching out arm to us." - the Washingtons, Albion



Focus on shelter

Wheelchair Ramps

Without the ability to exit a home, a homeowner is segregated from and can't remain an active participant in his or her community, can't get to much needed healthcare, or simply cannot leave their home to see family and friends. At BCAHFH we build wheelchair ramps all across Calhoun County for those that need help.

“The ramp that Habitat built for me has made it so much easier to get out of my home and has eased the work for my husband in caring for me. I love being able to get outdoors and we are so pleased with the quality of the ramp and the volunteers who built it so quickly. We are so grateful.” Janet Paul, ramp recipient

Special thanks to the following who have made it possible to build the ramps: Disability Network, Veterans Affairs, Eaton Corp., Old National Bank Foundation, Roger Fosdick Memorial Fund, Sunrise Rotary Club, Chapel Hill United Methodist Church.

We are also so grateful for all the dedicated volunteers who give selflessly of their time, tools, talents and treasure.



Advocate for affordable housing

Community Events

We team up with local residents, community leaders, and corporate partners for two events annually aimed at our continued effort to provide safe and affordable housing in Calhoun County.

We started our Rock the Block event in 2021. This volunteer event aims at completing minor home repairs, yard clean up, waste removal, and landscaping, amongst other things. Rock the Block is a day to bring people together to lift up a neighborhood and celebrate a community. Help us promote a vibrant, well-maintained neighborhood that leads to healthy families and increased property values by volunteering for next year's event!

Women Build is another volunteer led event that occurs annually. Since 1991, Women Build volunteers from all walks of life have come together to build stronger, safer communities. No experience is necessary. Volunteers work under the guidance of construction professionals, and also alongside other volunteers and future Habitat homeowners. Whether you are learning new skills or simply adding a few to your tool belt, this is a rewarding experience for all involved, and improves the community that you share.

Sign up to volunteer at next years events at www.habitatbc.org



We build strength, stability and self-reliance through shelter

Serving our local veterans

BCAHFH is committed to serving those that have served and their families. Through the Veteran Home Repair and Modification Program as well as the Repair Corps program we've helped veterans get critical repairs done with no cost to them. Many of Calhoun County's veterans who are low-income need housing repair or modification to help them regain or maintain their independence, as they are unable to fund significant home repairs, and we are happy to help.

In October 2023 we will be hosting our 4th annual supply drive for homeless veterans which will run through early November. On Veterans day we will deliver what we have collected to the local shelters that serve veterans. If you are interested in donating, we have a bin at the ReStore at 595 North Ave in Battle Creek. The store hours are Tuesday - Friday, 10am - 6pm and Saturdays 10am-2pm. Items we accept are:

Feminine hygiene products, toothbrushes and toothpaste, nail clippers, band aids, combs or small brushes, mints, cough drops, gum, gloves, winter hats, socks, chap stick, hand wipes, packs of facial tissues, reusable water bottles, and nonperishable single serve food items.



Demonstrate the love of Jesus Christ

The ReStore

Habitat ReStores are independently owned reuse stores operated by local Habitat for Humanity organizations. ReStores accept donations and sell a constantly changing inventory of diverse, high-quality merchandise to the public at a fraction of the retail price, while diverting reusable household items and building materials from area landfills.

Sales of donated items help Habitat for Humanity partner with local families to build, rehabilitate and repair safe and affordable homes in your community and around the world — a good deal for you, your community and the environment. Together, we can help families achieve the strength, stability and self-reliance they need to build a better future while creating stronger neighborhoods.

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Donations can be dropped off during store hours or you can call 269-441-1038 to schedule a pickup.



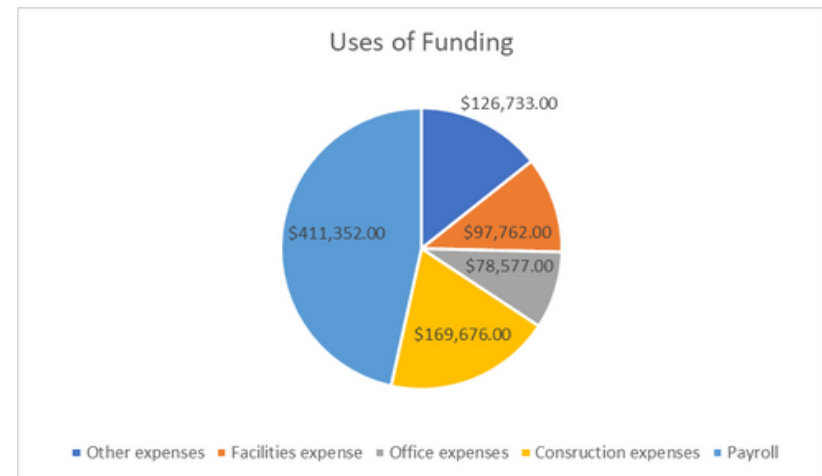
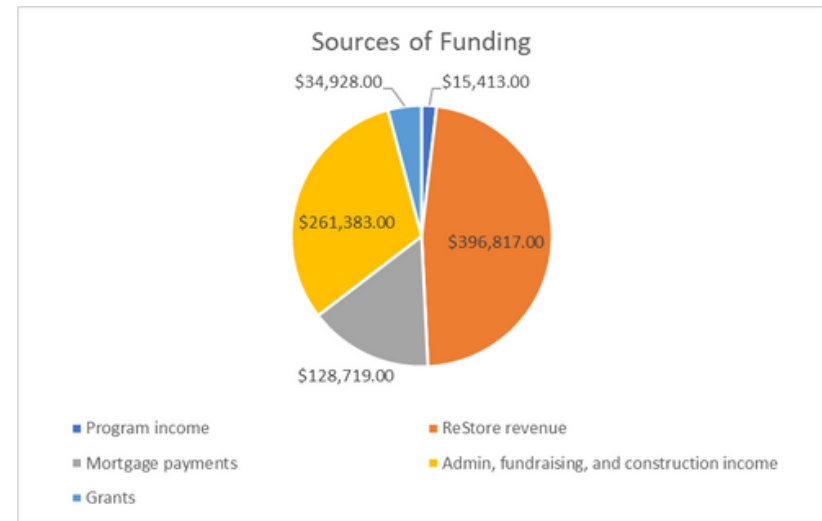
Financials



Balance Sheet

As of June 30, 2022

	Total	
	As of Jun 30, 2022	As of Jun 30, 2021 (PY)
ASSETS		
Total Bank Accounts	151,854	195,566
Total Accounts Receivable	162,701	35,660
Other Current Assets		
Total Other Current Assets	87,116	110,287
Total Current Assets	401,671	341,513
Fixed Assets		
Total Fixed Assets	1,131,390	1,322,042
Other Assets		
TOTAL ASSETS	2,216,208	2,446,558
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Total Accounts Payable	13,637	29,758
Total Credit Cards	-23,828	-28,726
Other Current Liabilities		
Total Other Current Liabilities	48,999	39,935
Total Current Liabilities	38,807	40,967
Total Long-Term Liabilities	254,146	270,912
Total Liabilities	292,953	311,879
Equity		
Total Equity	1,923,255	2,134,679
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	2,216,208	2,446,558



Support sustainable and transformative development

Statistics

5,689 construction volunteer hours

4,008 volunteer hours at the ReStore

\$185,610 in donated goods to the ReStore

3 homes closed on

14 wheelchair ramps completed

2 critical repairs completed. **11** more started



Special thanks...

Thanks to Advia Credit Union, Honor Credit Union, Battle Creek Community Foundation, Allegiant Wealth Strategies, and McCarthy Constuction for coming out to Women Build Week



Battle Creek Police Department officer Carl Vandyke for quickly recovering our stolen construction truck.

Dennis Compton, a regular volunteer, for donating \$2,500 for our project on Hubbard St in memorial to his deceased mother Ursula Compton.



Thanks to Calvary Baptist church for donating \$25,000 for our project on Hubbard St

Hans and Alicia Stark, previous owners of Battle Creek Tile and Carpet, donated the carpet, pad and labor for 46 Rose St. as they have for all the BC Habitat homes for many years. Thank you so very much!



Thank you!!!

Our Supporters and Partners



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