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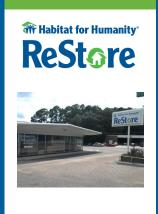
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# Habitat for Humanity® December Newsletter

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Dear Friends,

Moliere said "It is not only for what we do that we are held responsible, but also for what we do not do." One of my favorite movie quotes is in the final battle scene of The 13th Warrior. In it, Antonio Banderas character is praying as they wait for the battle to begin. "For all we ought to have thought, and have not thought; all we ought to have said, and have not said; all we ought to have done, and have not done; I pray thee, God, for forgiveness." The first time I saw this movie, this scene struck me. We pray for forgiveness for what we have done and should not have done, but how often do we pray for what we should have done and didn't? How often do we ask ourselves, in hindsight, why didn't we do that instead of why did we do that?

This time of year is always one of reflection as well as thanksgiving. I reflect on all the families we have been able to help this year. I think of all of the volunteers who have worked on our construction sites and in our ReStore. I also consider all of those who have donated their hard earned money to help us build homes. So, in this time of thanksgiving and reflection, I want to say

Do you know that every item you donate to the **ReStore it helps the** environment too? Your donations that may have ended up in a landfill are now being used! It's also a tax-deductible charitable donation! As you are cleaning out and throwing out please consider donating to the **ReStore.** Reduce. Reuse. Recycle. Call 699-1570 today to schedule a pickup of your donation.

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thank you. I don't want to have only thought it and not said it. I hope each of you know that you make a difference. You make a difference to our homeowners and future homeowners. You make a difference to other volunteers. You make a difference to the staff and board of WHFH. So, again, thank you. Thank you for caring and doing and through that making lives better for so many.

Amy Schutz Executive Director

## **Builds Update**

## **Dothan Build - Dedication**

We were so excited to turn the keys over to the Jackson family today! What a blessing this home is for them and what a blessing for all who have been able to work on it. The support of the community is what allows us to build homes and give families a helping hand out of poverty. Thank you to all who provided the funds for the home, worked on the home and were able to attend the dedication!



WHFH Board of Directors Vice President, Dustin Lee, presenting Ms. Jackson with a new Bible.



hug from WHFH Board member Katie Woodham after handing the keys to Ms. Jackson's new home to her.

## **Dothan Build**

We are getting the plans in place for our Dothan build to begin in the winter! We look forward to partnering with individuals, businesses and churches for volunteers for this build! This will be our third home in the Cloverdale area. Many volunteers have already expressed an interest in working with us. We will post updates on our website and Facebook.



Future home-site for our next Dothan build.

## **Ashford Build**

While we are building in Dothan, we are also planning for our next build as well! This family of three will be living in the Ashford area to be close to family. This is another great opportunity for the family and only our second home to be built in Ashford.

#### **Daleville Build**

We are so grateful for the grant we received to help build a single mom and her three teenagers a home in Daleville. We have been blessed to have the land donated for this home. There will be many opportunities for volunteering on this home. Plans are being made for this home to begin in 2016.

## **Builders Dash 5K**

Wiregrass Habitat for Humanity's 4th annual 5K will be Saturday, February 6th at the Westgate Park running trail. Our Builders Dash is a great way to warm up before the Superbowl on Sunday and help support our efforts to continue to build safe, decent affordable homes in the Wiregrass. The race will begin at 9:00 a.m. with day of registration beginning at 8:00 a.m. To pre-register for \$20, visit our website wiregrasshabitat.org to download the registration form. Pre-registration with a guaranteed t-shirt ends January 29th. After January 29th, registration will be \$25. Can't make it to the race, but still want to support our Builders Dash? You can purchase a shirt for only \$15! So join us Saturday, February 6th as we run to build homes!

Thanks for taking the time to catch up on your local Habitat affiliate. Hope to see you on a job site, at the Habitat ReStore, or at a home dedication sometime soon!

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