

Becoming a Partner Family

We partner with working, lower income families living in the Manitoba area to help them build and buy their own decent, affordable home through a unique affordable homeownership solution.

- Families purchase an affordable home from Habitat for Humanity Manitoba with a no down payment, no interest, renewable 15 year mortgage.
- Since families wouldn't qualify for a conventional mortgage, we provide a Habitat for Humanity Manitoba mortgage that removes the barriers to homeownership.
- Mortgage payments are calculated annually, so that families never pay more than 27% of household income on shelter costs.
- As part of their partnership with Habitat for Humanity Manitoba, families contribute "sweat equity" of 500 hours helping build their home, other Habitat homes, or helping in our ReStores.
- Every family attends financial education workshops to prepare themselves for first-time homeownership.
- As soon as a family starts to pay off their mortgage, Habitat for Humanity Manitoba puts those dollars to work helping build the next home for the next family. As families pay off their mortgages, these dollars are reinvested and used by Habitat for Humanity Manitoba to build more homes for working, lower income families in our community.
- We keep our build costs low through volunteer labour and, as much as possible, donated or reduced-cost building materials and services.

Construction Standards

Green Building

HFHM builds exceptionally energy efficient, carbon free homes.

Accessibility

An affordable Habitat home may be the only home its owners ever live in. Understanding this, Habitat has planned for their futures by incorporating wider doorways and hallways for future wheelchair accessibility, if mobility issues become apparent.

Building Materials

All Habitat homes are built with

top grade, new materials, either purchased or donated from manufacturers and/or home building centre retail outlets

Skilled Labour

Professional construction personnel are necessary to guide Habitat's many enthusiastic build volunteers.

Safety

Safety is the highest priority of HFHM for all volunteers, staff, sponsors and trades on our build sites.



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Habitat for Humanity Manitoba, Chronological History

- 1988** Very first blitz build with 150 volunteers on Flora Avenue.
- 1989** Two more homes were built on Flora Avenue.
- 1990** First three homes of an eighteen-home community were built in the North Point Douglas area.
- 1991** Habitat Winnipeg was formally invited to host the Jimmy Carter Work Project.
- 1992** A planning committee consisting of staff, board and committee members established for JCWP traveled to Washington D.C.
- 1993** Was a milestone year for Habitat Winnipeg as a record number of eighteen homes were built.
- 1994** Five homes on Ross Avenue were built. The Cycle of Hope raised over two million dollars for HFHW.
- 1995** National recognition as the largest Canadian Habitat for Humanity affiliate as we celebrated our 50th home built.
- 1996** The organization branches out into different areas of the city to complete five new homes.
- 1997** Two new homes were built.
- 1998** Three new homes were built.
- 1999** Four new homes were built.
- 2000** Six additional families received homes.
- 2001** 500 Habitat volunteers from across Canada and the US gathered to build 10 homes on Pritchard Avenue.
- 2002** Eight homes were built.
- 2003** The Interfaith Youth Build completed one of twelve homes completed.
- 2004** The ReStore and offices moved to 60 Archibald Street.
- 2005** Habitat launched the Women Build Program.
- 2006** Habitat began building all homes to the Manitoba Hydro Power Smart Gold Standard to ensure the highest level of energy efficiency.
- 2007** The Ride Around the Lake fundraising event began.
- 2008** The Manitoba Lotteries Legacy Build Program was established.
- 2009** Fifteen homes were built on former Sir Sam Steele School site.
- 2010** Habitat Future Builders was born.
- 2011** Habitat built its 200th home and hosted Governor General.
- 2012** Habitat Winnipeg became Habitat Manitoba and built a record 25 homes.
- 2013** The Fernback development was completed - totally 16 homes.
- 2014** Opened our second ReStore on Ellice Avenue.
- 2015** Implemented new mortgage model to 15 years' interest free.
- 2016** Started Ten homes in Winnipeg and three in our Chapters.
- 2017** Winnipeg hosted the Jimmy Carter Work Project - 25 homes built.
- 2018** Five Net Zero homes built in Winnipeg.
- 2019** Opened our third ReStore on Inkster Blvd.
- 2020** Survived Covid-19

About Us

Habitat Manitoba

Founded in 1987, Habitat Manitoba is a nonprofit housing organization that believes everyone deserves a safe and decent place to live. We mobilize communities to help working, lower income families build strength, stability, and self-reliance through affordable homeownership. With the help of volunteers, donors, and community partners, we have built more than 360 homes in the Province, including Kenora, Ontario.

Habitat ReStore

In support of our homebuilding, we operate retail home improvement stores called Habitat ReStore. Our 3 locations across Manitoba sell new and used donated home furnishings, appliances, and renovation materials to the public at a fraction of the original price. Habitat ReStore collects donations from the community, and proceeds from sales help cover the cost to build Habitat homes.



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We mobilize volunteers and community partners, Habitat for Humanity Manitoba works with people from all walks of life to build safe, decent, affordable housing for purchase by low-income working families.