

Habitat for Humanity Seattle – King County (HFHSC) and the Kittitas County Habitat for Humanity (KCHF) affiliate formed a strategic partnership in July 2020, expanding services and production of affordable homes for qualifying families throughout Kittitas County. Together, we are dedicated to eliminating substandard housing, advocating for fair housing policies, and providing resources to help families improve their living conditions. Thanks to the support of community members like you, we are pleased to share this summary of our accomplishments for the past year.

### Housing Solutions

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- Habitat for Humanity has served the Seattle-King County area for **35 years**, creating **700** housing solutions and serving nearly **2,870** people to date.
- By 2025, we will have served over 1,000 total families through new builds, renovations, and repairs.

### Homeowner Services & Partner Families

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- We provided 66 housing solutions this year and served 107 people, including 40 seniors, 22 children, three veterans, and 16 individuals with disabilities.
- **34** families were selected and supported for homeownership in new developments.
- We **resold five** Habitat homes to deserving families.
- Homeowner Services **referred 251** non-Habitat-partnered individuals to other affordable housing solutions.
- **466 individuals** participated in one of our homeownership programs, including applicant orientation, financial literacy training, home maintenance, and resident engagement.

### Home Repair

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- We completed **61** total repairs, including 38 critical repairs, 20 home preservation projects, and **eight Aging in Place** projects in South Seattle, White Center, Federal Way, SE Renton, and Kittitas County.
- We replaced 18 roofs, 16 decks, installed handrails in 25 homes, painted 14 houses, and replaced 640 feet of fencing.
- The average budget for a Critical Home Repair was **\$16,418.59**.
- Funding for repairs this year was primarily provided through the support of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, FHLB, and Regence.

### Construction

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- We are now on pace to exceed our existing ambitious five-year agenda with over **211 housing units in development** instead of our original 150-unit goal. We now have **12 developments** in the pipeline across the region, with a construction pipeline valued at over **\$56.6 million**.
- Construction permits were issued for **six** new developments totaling 52 units in Capitol Hill, Trenton, Tyler Town, Lake City II, Copper Pines, South Park. We also broke ground on **three** new developments totaling 28 units in South Park, Copper Pines, Lake City II.
- Habitat SKC's construction team was recognized with Habitat for Humanity International's "**Best Innovative Design**" award for its South Park project. As part of its first-annual Habitat House Design Contest, winners demonstrate Habitat's commitment to high-quality housing that is safe and affordable for the long-term, as well as strategies that advance shelter technology toward building more and building better in recognition of a responsibility to meet immense affordable housing needs equitably.

- The award was based on a creative use of ADU/DADU zoning, turned a one-unit parcel into 13 units in an extremely tight land market, and used house designs that serve underrepresented families in the Seattle-King County portfolio.

## Advocacy

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- We supported Habitat International's **Cost of Home** campaign by working in a coalition to win extensions on eviction moratoriums and tenant protections to keep people housed.
- We **actively monitored 52** pieces of new legislation.
- Habitat SKC **backed 13 bills** that were passed in the State Legislature.
- **We held over 50** meetings with King and Kittitas County Legislators.
- We participated in **more than 15** committee hearings in the WA State Legislature.
- **Habitat effectively advocated for over \$175 million** for affordable housing production.
- We launched the new **Habitat Advocacy Alerts System** and generated **527 contacts** between advocates and lawmakers in the first year of our brand-new system. Join us by texting SKC to 52886.

## Habitat Stores

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- Our Habitat Store online sales revenue/eCommerce increased by **679%**
- Number of items sold: **448,027**
- Number of sales: **95,572**
- Number of donation pickups and drop-offs: Total: **11,360** Pickups: **7,057**, Drop Offs: **4,303**
- Number of donated items: **61,860**
- **2,363 tons** of material were diverted from landfills.

## Resource Development & Community Engagement

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- Habitat SKC raised over **\$15,825,064**, one of the **affiliate's largest annual fundraising campaigns to date** in its 35-year history.
- We launched a **Weyerhaeuser Alumni Giving Campaign** that **raised \$1,186,450** to build a house a year for the next five years in both King and Pierce County, totaling 10 new affordable houses in our region.
- For the second year, we hosted a **Beyond the Build Virtual Luncheon**, raising **\$1.6 million** and featuring **Matthew Desmond**, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Evicted*.
- We completed work on our **COVID-19 Resiliency Fund**, raising over **\$400,000** for Habitat families.
- Hosted Habitat International **CEO Jonathan Reckford** for two successful virtual events, including a session on "Housing is Critical to Economic Recovery and Racial Equity."
- Celebrated two highly successful **Women Build Campaigns** in fall 2020 and spring 2021. Hosted two Women Build Virtual Panels, virtual DIY classes, and over 150 women on our build sites.
- During our 2020 Interfaith Build, we welcomed **49 volunteers** from over **10 different faith communities** who came together for 6 build days and contributed 347 hours across our two sites in Renton and Lake City.

## Volunteers

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- Over **1,115 volunteers** filled **3,173 slots**, contributing a total of **20,716 hours** to help build homes and support families.
- In our Habitat Stores, **149 individual volunteers** served **2,795 hours**.
- On our Construction Sites, **902 individual volunteers** served **17,540 hours**:
  - **2,215 volunteer slots** were filled at New Construction sites, contributing **16,798 hours**
  - **94 volunteer slots** were filled at Recycle, Repair, and Home Preservation projects, contributing **742 hours**

- Groups joined us for **86 volunteer days** across our build sites and Habitat Stores, including **46 sponsor group** volunteer days, **12 faith group** volunteer days, and **28 youth, school, corporate, and community group** volunteer days.
- **AmeriCorps members** served an additional **19,465 hours**, providing invaluable support to the Construction, Repairs, Community Engagement, and Homeowner Services teams.

## Kittitas County Highlights

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- We were awarded and secured a **three-acre plot of land** from the City of Ellensburg to develop Stuart Meadows, an **18-home affordable housing neighborhood**.
- We were awarded **\$765,000** from the City of Ellensburg from the Affordable Housing Tax to help build **three homes at 60% AMI** within Stuart Meadows.
- **We have expanded our volunteers** to include groups from CWU Construction Program, CWU Track & Field Team, Starbucks employees, Umpqua Bank, Rotary Build, and the Kittitas County Sheriff's Department.
- We secured a **\$30,000 grant** for our Home Repair Program.
- It increased **year-over-year giving** in Kittitas by more than 100%.