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## **OUR MISSION**

Habitat for Humanity of San Antonio is an ecumenical, Christian organization working in partnership with God's people in need to build modest, decent and affordable homes without interest or profit, thereby witnessing God's love in action.

## **WHAT WE DO**

Habitat works with low-income families who would not otherwise be able to afford a home. We partner with hardworking families in need, and help them build affordable homes for themselves and their families at no interest and no profit. We are not a charity or a "handout" program, but rather we help families help themselves. As of May 2017, we have built affordable homes with 1,000+ families in need!

## **ABOUT THE HOMEOWNERS**

We work with families whose total income is between 20% – 70% of the area median income. Families are accepted to the Habitat program based on their need, ability, and their willingness to partner. Applicants must be residents of Bexar County. Once accepted, first time homebuyers are eligible to buy a home from Habitat with a 20 – 25 year zero percent interest mortgage. Families spend a minimum of 300 hours investing in "sweat equity" where they support and help build their own home and the homes of their neighbors. Monthly payments average \$550 (including taxes and insurance). In our forty year history we have less than a 1.5% foreclosure rate.

## **HOW WE ARE FUNDED**

Our funding comes through partnerships with individuals, corporations, foundations, faith organizations and civic groups. It costs approximately \$80,000 to build a Habitat home including materials, tools and supplies (not including land or infrastructure). Habitat relies on private sources of funding to build our affordable homes. Habitat only accepts government funding for land acquisition, infrastructure, administrative and site preparation expenses. Since the success of our Home Centers fund our administrative expenses, 100% of every donated dollar goes directly into our building program.

## **THE ROLE OF VOLUNTEERS**

At Habitat, volunteers are the heart of our organization. From board members to those directly involved in construction, volunteers make the difference. Approximately 11,000 volunteers assist in various Habitat activities each year. Our volunteers build the homes, raise funds, work in our administrative offices, provide lunch for volunteers at the work site, work at our Home Centers and do much, much more.

## **HABITAT HOME CENTERS**

Habitat for Humanity of San Antonio operates three Habitat Home Centers. They are new and used building materials retail stores. New, donated and salvaged building materials are sold to the public at a reduced cost. The proceeds of the sales fund Habitat's administrative expenses. Home Centers are located at 311 Probandt, 5482 Walzem and 8125 Meadow Leaf Dr. For more information or to make donations of building materials please call 210/223-3647.