



**Habitat**  
for Humanity®  
of Southern Santa  
Barbara County

Celebrating 20 Years



## ABOUT US

Established in 2000, Habitat for Humanity of Southern Santa Barbara County (Habitat Santa Barbara) is a local nonprofit dedicated to helping individuals and families build and improve a place to call home. We work in partnership with those in need of safe, sustainable and affordable housing.

## WHAT WE DO

- Build new, affordable homes
- Repair homes
- Provide education, community classes and mentoring programs
- Advocate for the importance of affordable housing
- Mobilize volunteers during times of disaster to support preparedness, recovery, and community coordination activities
- Partner with area nonprofits

We build **strength, stability** and **self-reliance** through shelter.



**OUR IMPACT**

**22** NEW HOMES: 49 CHILDREN NOW LIVE IN NEW HABITAT HOMES IN OUR SERVICE AREA

**150** REPAIRED & IMPROVED HOMES

**49** HOMES BUILT IN NICARAGUA & HAITI THROUGH HABITAT'S TITHE

## PROGRAMS & LOCATIONS



### Our Programs Include:

**New Home Construction** - Habitat Santa Barbara's homeownership program assists individuals and families in need buy a home with an affordable mortgage. Homeowners also invest sweat equity hours by building their future Habitat homes alongside volunteers and professional builders.

**Neighborhood Revitalization** - Habitat offers home repairs to help homeowners in-need remain safely in their homes as well as contribute to neighborhood projects ranging from supporting community nonprofits with capital improvements to beautifying public spaces and parks.

**A Brush with Kindness program** - external home repairs including exterior wall repair, accessibility improvements, painting, deck replacement, and more.

**Critical Home Repair program** - internal, partial or larger-home repairs, accessibility modifications, aging-in-place support in critical need areas.

**Family Service Programs** - Each Habitat Homeowner family is required to participate in and complete curriculum that provides the resources to be successful as long-term homeowners. Curriculum topics include financial literacy, insurance, house repairs, wills and retirement planning, and much more. We also extend classes to the community.

**Habitat ReStore** - Habitat Santa Barbara operated a ReStore for approximately 12 years and made the difficult decision to close retail operations in 2020 as a consequence of the COVID-19 pandemic. Habitat works with donors on a case by case basis to accept donated construction items and furnishings (and professional labor!) when they can be used in home repair projects and given back to in-need community members to aid in health and safety. The organization plans to explore a new iteration of the ReStore in the future.



**A HAND UP  
NOT A HAND-OUT**

## TIMELINE

**2000** - Habitat Santa Barbara of Southern Santa Barbara County was officially started with the support and passion of local volunteers.

**2007** - Completed the 3-home Via Lucero Affordable Homes development in Santa Barbara's Hope neighborhood.

**2008** - The first Habitat ReStore opened in Goleta, CA.

**2010** - Completed the 3-home San Pascual Affordable Homes development on Santa Barbara's lower Westside.

**2011** - Habitat Santa Barbara launched the A Brush with Kindness and home repair program.

**2012** - ReStore and Habitat offices relocated to Cortona Drive location in Goleta.

**2013** - First Hard Hats & High Heels Gala to support Canon Perdido Affordable Homes.

**2014** - Completed the 12-home Canon Perdido Affordable Homes development on Santa Barbara's Eastside.

**2014** - Adjacent parcels of land located on Cota Street donated to Habitat Santa Barbara.

**2016** - First Denim & Diamonds Gala to support Sawyer Avenue Affordable Homes.

**2018** - Disaster relief efforts removed 42,000 tons of mud and engaged 2,860 volunteers in response to the Montecito debris flow.

**2019** - Completed 3-home Sawyer Avenue Affordable Homes development in Carpinteria.

**2020** - Celebrating 20 years and framing our future!



“It’s easy to stay stuck, to be stuck in poverty. Some people inherit money, but some people inherit poverty. To think outside of the scope of poverty is hard. So when you have a hand up — what Habitat offers — that hand up turns out to be a different kind of inheritance: hope.”

- Jose

Who moved into his family’s Habitat house when he was 15

“Habitat’s vision - a world where everyone has a decent place to live - emphasizes the value of housing to families and communities. Helping to bring that vision to reality in Santa Barbara is a challenging but worthy goal.”

- Paul Wilson

Chairman of the Board, Habitat Santa Barbara



## WAYS TO HELP

### DONATE FINANCIALLY

- Give a monthly or annual gift
- Sponsor a repair project
- Donate stock
- Give a planned gift through our Legacy Program
- Join the Cornerstone Club with a generous gift and join a community and network of philanthropists making a lasting difference
- Join the Carpenter’s Circle with a recurring, monthly gift adding to Habitat’s sustainability

### DONATE YOUR TIME

**Volunteer in our community. Opportunities may include:**

- Strategic committee projects
- Construction projects
- Administrative projects
- Community outreach projects

For questions or more info:

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## HOW WE IMPACT FAMILIES



Improved School Performance

The Ability to Save for Education



Access to Better Jobs



Better Health



Revitalized Neighborhoods

Strong Community Connections

