



### WHO WE ARE

We are a local affiliate of Habitat for Humanity, International; an ecumenical, Christian housing ministry that builds affordable housing for low-income families. Habitat for Humanity-Grand Traverse Region covers Grand Traverse, Kalkaska and Leelanau Counties.

### HOW DOES HABITAT WORK?

We use donations of labor, materials and money to build new homes or rehabilitate existing homes in partnership with families in need. Habitat sells the completed home to a partner family at a zero-interest mortgage rate.

### HOW DOES THE PARTNERSHIP WORK?

Each adult member of the partner family is required to work a minimum of 275 "sweat equity" hours on their home and the homes of others. They are also required to take part in home-ownership workshops such as home maintenance and budgeting. These workshops help new homeowners develop critical homeownership and financial management skills. New relationships and a sense of community are built in addition to homes when the homeowners and the volunteers work together for a common purpose.

### HOW ARE FAMILIES SELECTED?

A family selection committee carefully evaluates each family's level of need, ability to make house payments of around \$450-\$550 per month and willingness to become good partners with Habitat. A family's income must be at or below 40% of the median income for their county of residence.

### WHO MANAGES THE PROJECTS?

Our local affiliate employs a full-time Executive Director, Family Services Manager, Volunteer Coordinator, Administrative Assistant, ReStore Manager and Assistant and subcontracted/part time Project Manager and Construction Manager. Volunteers staff all other positions within. Volunteers serve on the Board of Directors and other committees within our affiliate. Several hundred volunteers are available to work in the office, on a construction crew or on special events.

### WHAT IS OUR TRACK RECORD?

Our local affiliate has provided housing for nearly 100 families between 1987, when our affiliate was founded, and spring 2011. With the continued support of our community, our goal is to begin building 10 homes per year, starting in 2011.

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### Service Area

Grand Traverse, Kalkaska and Leelanau Counties

### Board of Directors

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