

Our Mission

Bend Area Habitat for Humanity, with God's guidance, works in partnership with the community and with families in need, to build quality, affordable homes in Bend and in Crook County.

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A Message From Our New Executive Director

No family should have to choose between having a decent roof over their heads and putting food on the table. Or having heat in the winter, or having adequate plumbing facilities. But as we all know, reality does not always respect what 'should be'. There is a nation-wide crisis in affordable housing, and Bend and Crook County are not exempt. Bend Area Habitat for Humanity works vigorously to respond to this crisis by making decent, affordable housing possible in our community. I am very excited about the opportunity to lead Bend Area Habitat for Humanity in this effort.

I moved to Bend from the Midwest in 1995 and like many people I moved here for a new lifestyle, I love being outdoors and Bend has the cycling, skiing, hiking, and fishing that feeds my soul. What I didn't realize when I moved here was how engaged the community is in helping others. Having spent most of my time in Bend working in the education field as a program administrator for the public school system and as a Director for a private school I was able to see how much individuals and families invest in each other.

I decided to make a career transition to the non-profit sector after becoming involved in several local organizations on a volunteer level. I recently obtained my Masters degree from Portland State University in Public Administration/ Non-profit management and was very lucky to be hired by Habitat in the fall of 2008. In the year and a half I have been working at Habitat I have met so many wonderful people and am truly thankful for the opportunity I have been given.

Habitat for Humanity has been active in Bend since 1989, and as far as we're concerned, our work has just begun. Please continue reading to learn more about Bend Area Habitat for Humanity's ongoing work and impact in our communities and how we plan to fulfill our mission. As you will see, there is both reason and opportunity to involve yourself in building a brighter future for our partner families and for our community.

Mark Quinlan
Executive Director

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Family Services Update

By: Sheila Pyott, Family Coordinator

Five families have been selected in Bend recently and you will notice their new faces while they are accumulating sweat equity at the ReStore and construction site. The new families are: Kristal Eddington and her 11 year old son, Ryan. Kristal is a bookkeeper for a homeowner association management company. Lorinda Harris, who works for a local car dealership, has a 7 - year old daughter, Ariaah, and a 6 year old son, Kyle.

Barbara Smith and her son, Erik Hardin, and his two sons, 16 year old Brady and 18 year old Tyler, are a multi generational family. Corrin Stealey works for a veterinarian. She has a 15 year old son, Austin, and an 8 year old daughter, Alexa. Dorinda Vetterick has 11 year old Hannah, and 9 year old Christopher. Dorinda works for a packaging store. We are excited to be working with these folks as they begin the 12-18 month process towards homeownership.



Five families are "graduating" this summer, into homeownership. Four of them will be purchasing homes at Parkway Village and one of them will be purchasing in Prineville. Two more homes will be purchased by families in the homeownership program in November and December. On May 18 and 20th we will be holding orientations for more families in Bend. Lots will be purchased for these families this spring. We continue to teach financial and spending plan skills so that families are able to weather the economic storms in this recessionary climate. If you would like to become a Mentor for one of the new families, please contact the Family Coordinator. No special skills are required, although Mentors need to be homeowners.

Please refer anyone who is interested in learning more about the BAHFH homeownership program to Sheila Pyott, Family Coordinator, spyott@bendhabitat.org or 385.5387 x225.

Habitat Home Counter

Bend Area Habitat

Houses Completed:

Bend: 81
Prineville: 4

Houses Under Construction:

Bend: 6

Our 2009 - 2010 Tithe

Costa Rica: \$11,500
Thailand: \$24,500

Habitat International

Houses Built : Over 300,000

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VOLUNTEERS

Year of the Volunteer

By: Robin Cooper, Community Outreach Manager and Adina Eden, Youth Coordinator

Volunteers are such an integral component of Habitat. We build homes 6 days a week, operate our ReStore and office 5 days a week, rely on family mentors, committee members and our board on a regular basis and then throughout the year look to churches, banks, youth programs and many other businesses to volunteer with us.

In January and February we participated in the 'Give A Day, Get A Disney Day' program. The program is a partnership between Disney and Hands on Network to encourage volunteerism in 2010 for the 'Year of the Volunteer.' Bend Habitat had more than 200 volunteers sign up to build at our construction site or help at our ReStore.

This quarter, we have engaged local young people in various ways. Thanks to Sisters High School for framing and a dozen other groups of young people, our Youth United Build is in its final stages.

We started a project with students from REALMS Middle School for their Service Learning Fridays. Each week, we work with them to build cedar planter benches, which we hope to donate to our new families or sell at the ReStore. The students in the elective class are learning a lot about construction and really enjoying working with the drills.

We've been working with Nativity, First Presbyterian and City Church, Cub Scouts, the National Honors Society, and J Bar J Youth and other youth programs on the job site and at the ReStore and are currently looking forward to hosting four collegiate challenge groups for Alternate Spring Break this March, from universities all across the West Coast.

This is the 'Year of the Volunteer.' We hope you will take some time and volunteer with us. Come build with some of our Habitat families on the construction site, sell some appliances or furniture at either of our ReStores or visit us at the office. We can not build affordable homes for families without you. You make a difference!



UPCOMING EVENTS

April

Lowe's Women Build Clinics April 15 & 22
 Women Build Kick Off - May 1
 C.O. Women Realtors Fashion Show (benefitting Women Build) - April 29
 Youth United Build Dedication

May

Homeowner Orientations in Bend May 18 & 20 at 6:00 PM
 Anniversary Build Dedications

Please check our website for upcoming events, dates, and volunteer calendar www.bendhabitat.org

“ReStore” inches closer to becoming a household name. Only about 38 feet to go.

By: Sophie Paez, Bend ReStore Director

From the opening of the first store in Austin, TX to over 600 in four countries and counting, ReStores are making money for their affiliates. Last year Habitat International took official note of this, and created a ReStore department complete with support staff. The crew has been busy compiling and sharing data on operations and revenue from ReStores around the country, refining the National Gifts in Kind program, and coordinating National restore manager conferences. The third of these is scheduled to take place in our home state in Portland, in April.

The Grand Opening of the La Pine ReStore completes the Central Oregon line-up of stores in every community. The progress made with cooperative advertising among the five towns last year will continue, enhancing our brand with much needed exposure.

Here in Bend, we have tried to make up for what we lack in physical visibility by promoting the store on-line, through our own website by posting photos of new arrivals via Flickr.com and Twittering about interesting merchandise and sale events. A more consistent presence on Craigslist has proven fruitful.

At a little more than the half-way point of the fiscal year, we are on track to bring in \$520,000 in revenue - \$30,000 over last year. We continue to focus on individual donations, but are grateful for valuable support from local business such as Bend Heating, CJ Heating and Supply, Citi Financial, COSTCO, Finer Cabinetry, Floor Décor, Lowes, Pahlisch Homes, River Roofing, Summers Floor and Design, Sun Forrest, and Neil Kelly.

As always the referrals of our supporters are the key to our success. We hope that all of you with Habitat in your hearts remember ReStore, and encourage other community members to SHOP! DONATE! VOLUNTEER!

ReStore Counter

Waste Reduction:

Bend Area ReStore helps eliminate unnecessary waste from the Deschutes County Landfill

2009

Waste Eliminated: 498,000 lbs

2009 Deconstruction jobs:

13 jobs, \$20,000 in material

What's New:

Browse photos of new arrivals and keep up on sales and events on ReStoreBend.org! Follow us on Twitter.com!

Donations We Need:

Furniture

Cabinets

Tools

Hardware

Plumbing & Electrical

Help us to serve our community.
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DONATIONS

Partnerships That Build

By: Robin Cooper, Community Outreach Manager

It takes an amazing amount of support to continue building affordable homes for families. We have some incredible partnerships with all kinds of businesses, builders, sub-contractors, churches, youth programs, individuals and more.

We are currently constructing the ReStore, Youth United, Faith and Anniversary Builds with the Women Build and one other home starting in March. Volunteers and donations of materials and services help us tremendously. Partnerships are very important to the success of Bend Habitat and how we build the homes affordably.

Thank you to all of our wonderful partners! You are helping make home ownership a reality for many wonderful families. If you would like to learn more about how you can partner with Bend Area Habitat for Humanity contact Robin Cooper, (541) 385-5387 ext. 229, rcooper@bendhabitat.org.

Each time an individual writes a check to our organization they contribute to the backbone of our organizational funding. Just like swinging a hammer, a financial partnership with Bend Area Habitat for Humanity is a chance to give back to your community. There are numerous ways to contribute whether through home sponsorship, electronic fund transfers, matching gift programs, planned giving, or a one-time donation online at www.bendhabitat.org, or using the enclosed envelope.



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Mark Quinlan, Executive Director
Adina Eden, AmeriCorps - Youth Specialist
Chris Neumaier, Site Supervisor
Frank Cooper, Procurement
Glen McClean, Construction Manager
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Jeff Pies, AmeriCorps - Site Supervisor
Juline Bodnar, Finance Manager
Paula McClean, Operations Manager
Robin Cooper, Community Outreach Manager
Ruthe Giltrap, Accounting
Sheila Pyott, Family Coordinator
Sheilah Sherman, Office Assistant

ReStore Staff

Sophie Paez, Director
Dianne Crocker, Manager
Amy Tracey, Cashier
Kirk Patterson, Lumber Salvage and Deconstruction Coordinator
Lars Hofland, Receiving
Michel Miller, Receiving
Milt Riley, Receiving Manager
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