



Habitat
for Humanity®
of Greater Plymouth, Inc.

2022 IMPACT REPORT

Celebrating our 25th Anniversary

This year, Habitat for Humanity of Greater Plymouth proudly marked our 25th Anniversary. We are so grateful to our founders for having had the vision and commitment, back in 1997, to create a Habitat affiliate specifically to serve our area. We count our blessings for all of our supporters and volunteers who made this work possible, and we look ahead with true understanding of the massive need for more affordable housing in our region today.

The real estate and rental markets skyrocketed again this year, leaving far too many people struggling to keep roofs over their heads. A Habitat home removes that burden and leads to so much more. With their own space to study, play and thrive, children have improved academic success. Parents experience better job stability and career growth, and often have the capacity to invest in higher education and other enrichment activities for themselves and their children that were previously out of reach.



"As Habitat celebrates its 25th Anniversary, we are celebrating our 16th anniversary in our strong, beautiful home ... As much as I realize how having a Habitat home has helped me and my family, I just wish there could be many more who have the experience. There is such a need, and it has meant all the difference for me You gave me a chance to stay in our home and raise my children into good adults. We are eternally grateful. Nothing would be the same without you."

~ Karen Rezendes, HFHGP Homeowner

Volunteers Make the Difference

Volunteers make up the very foundation of Habitat. Their gifts of time, skill and dedication to our mission are what drive our impact. It is true that many of our build volunteers start off with little to no experience in construction. But the real-time, hands-on training provided by expert supervisors, combined with guidance from seasoned volunteers, creates a collective effort that is both unique to Habitat, and uniquely rewarding for all.

This was demonstrated again week after week since April, with our Plymouth Brush With Kindness project, pictured here and described on the reverse side.



3,300+ hours logged by construction volunteers on our Langford Rd renovation this year, part of our Brush With Kindness program



\$3,045

is the average monthly rental price for a 2-bedroom apartment in Plymouth; the housing wage in MA is over \$36/hour.



\$823 is the monthly payment for mortgage, property tax and insurance for our recent Habitat 3-bedroom home in Plymouth



Children of low-income homeowners are **11%** more likely to graduate from high school than children of low-income renters.

105+ tons of furniture, appliances and other home goods diverted from the landfill and sold at our ReStore to benefit our mission



\$35 buys a bundle of roof shingles;

\$100 buys a bedroom window. Your gift of any amount will help provide families with a safe place to grow and succeed.



25 Years serving Plymouth, Carver, Kingston, Plympton, Middleboro & Lakeville



Brush With Kindness Builds Hope & Independence

In April, we began an extensive renovation project for a Plymouth family facing living challenges due to a rare disease diagnosis. At the age of 13, Emma was diagnosed with Stevens Johnson Syndrome after having a severe reaction to prescription medication. Now 18 years old, she suffers from eyesight loss and other mobility difficulties as a result. At the time of this writing, we are just a couple Saturday work days away from full completion! A new addition on the first floor allows for an accessible bedroom and bathroom for Emma, and a new living room for the whole family. A new wheelchair ramp/walkway provides safe access from outside. These changes will help with fall and injury prevention for Emma, and peace of mind for her caretaker grandparents.

What's Next

As 2022 winds down, we have begun initial site prep and design work on our next project – a full rehab on an abandoned home in Carver. Our goal is to make this a beautiful new, accessible 3-bedroom home for a Veteran family. Please stay tuned for announcements about when volunteer crew scheduling will begin in 2023, or better yet, get on the notification list now by signing up at www.hfhplymouth.org.

Financial donations are needed to help us complete this exciting build, along with in-kind donations of trade services and materials. To learn more, contact support@hfhplymouth.org or call 508-866-4188, or to donate online, visit www.hfhplymouth.org/donate.

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