

Habitat for Humanity of Sonoma County

Celebrating 40 years

Building homes, communities, and hope!





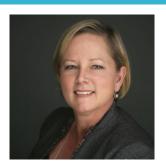
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November 2024

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Looking to the Future

As we reflect on the year gone by, we are filled with gratitude for the incredible support of our community—partners, donors, volunteers, and advocates—who share in our mission to make affordable homeownership a reality for families in need. Together, we've made great strides toward building homes, communities, and hope.



In the coming year we are poised to help more families find stability through the transformative power of homeownership by building four townhomes in Sebastopol for four deserving families. But beyond that our work is far from done. We know that too many individuals and families still face barriers to securing a place to call their own, a space where they can grow, thrive, and build a legacy.

As we look toward the future, we are filled with hope and determination. We believe that affordable homeownership is not just a dream, it's a necessity. It's a foundation for brighter futures, stronger communities, and lasting change.

In 2024 and beyond, we are committed to continuing our work, expanding opportunities for those who need them most, and advocating for policies that ensure housing is a right, not a privilege. With your partnership and support, we will make affordable homeownership more accessible, more achievable, and more impactful than ever before.

Thank you for standing with us. Together, we can create a world where everyone has the opportunity to put down roots in a home, they can truly call their own.

Wishing you peace, joy, and hope for the year ahead.

Mise Boto

Misty Bastoni, CEO at Habitat for Humanity of Sonoma County



Habitat is breaking ground on (4) Townhomes in Sebastopol

333 N. Main St. Sebastopol, CA

All four of these homes are designated as affordable housing.

Home and lot dimensions and features:

- Four 3 bedroom/2 bath, 1350 square feet homes.
- The 1st floor bath is handicap accessible.
- Lot sizes are approximately 1,500 square feet.
- The homes have detached single car garages, a covered entry porch and a rear patio.
- All the homes are two stories along the street frontage.

These homes are located within a half mile of the Sebastopol Plaza, business district, parks, outdoor events, and farmers market as well as multiple school locations, public transportation, grocery stores and retail shops. It is an excellent location for families seeking stability, shelter, and the sense of belonging to a community.

For information on becoming a homeowner, please visit our website at: Own a Home - habitatsoco.org



League of California Cities

Habitat for Humanity California had a unique opportunity to represent all California affiliates at the League of California Cities Conference on October 16th and 17th in Long Beach.

Local partnerships with city officials are extremely valuable as we work to build and preserve affordable homeownership opportunities. Many affiliates, including Habitat for Humanity of Sonoma County, have already built strong relationships with local officials, but attending the

CalCities EXPO afforded Habitat for Humanity of California, a chance to meet so many officials in one place - over 150 to be exact! - and begin fostering even more partnerships! Habitat for Humanity California shared a few of the successful outcomes from the event:

- Greeted by so many with encouraging words and expressions of gratitude for the work that Habitat does.
- Provided with the opportunity to educate those who were less familiar with our program - many officials left the event with a better understanding of Habitat. We shared information on <u>CalHome</u>, <u>Prop 5</u>, highlighted our priorities and local funding opportunities and even created a <u>mini-website</u> where officials could learn more about how to partner with Habitat and how to find their local affiliates.
- Approached by several jurisdictions with great enthusiasm for generating new projects and collaborations.





Habitat for Humanity of Sonoma County is grateful for Habitat for Humanity California representing our affiliate, along with our sister affiliates at the League of California Cities Conference. Our hope is that the increased awareness and connections they made will aid our local efforts.



TEAM ANNIVERSARIES

Celebrating 10 Years

Kevin- ReStore Staff Member- Kevin is a Santa Rosa native who enjoys hanging out with his friends and playing tabletop games, like DnD. He's been an essential part of the ReStore team since 2014 and began as a volunteer. He loves the fun and friendly work environment. His experience makes him quite the versatile worker—he can fill in for any role where needed!



Celebrating 3 Years

Elva- ReStore Supervisor- She enjoys spending time with her family, including her five beautiful children when she isn't busy at ReStore assisting customers or volunteers.

When you're shopping, you'll often find Elva helping many customers with her bilingual skills. She enjoys Chinese food, Chow Mein in particular. One day, after she retires, we might find her soaking up the sun at the pristine beaches in Hawaii!



Celebrating 1 Year

Eric- Driver- Born and raised in Santa Rosa, Eric enjoys playing basketball, woodworking, and computers. Someday, he would love to find himself in a role teaching kids to play basketball. Eric's favorite donation to ReStore: An 80's Craftsman table saw in perfect condition! Eric recently adopted a stray kitten that luckily found his way to our ReStore parking lot! His name, Pallet Jack, PJ for short. Thank you Eric.





Make A Difference Today!

Our "Cars for Homes" car donation program is a great way to get rid of your old vehicle and ensure that we have a world where everyone has a decent place to live! (May be eligible for tax deduction purposes if you itemize). Donate a Car





Did you know: Habitat ReStore has weekly deals? Since our newsletter on September 26, ReStore held weekly 25-50% off sales.

- 1. 9/23 thru 9/28 25% OFF Sofas
- 2. 9/30 thru 10/5 25% OFF Lighting
- 3. 10/7 thru 10/12 25% OFF Everything
- 4. 10/14 thru 10/19 25% OFF Armoires, Hutches and China Cabinets
- 5. 10/24 40% Flash Sale off of 3 beautiful furniture pieces
- 6. 10/28 thru 11/2 3 SALES AT ONCE! 25% off lighting, 50% off small appliances, and 25% off tile.
- 7. 11/4 thru 11/9 25% Off Tools & Hardware

Did you get a chance to come in and see the deals?

All proceeds from our ReStore sales support Habitat for Humanity of Sonoma County. Thank you.

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Hours of Operation:

Monday – Friday: 10:00 am – 6:00 pm Saturday: 9am-5pm

Sunday: Closed

Donations:

Monday – Saturday 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Yes, I want to support Habitat of Sonoma County! (CLICK HERE)







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