



**Habitat**  
for Humanity<sup>®</sup>  
of Greater Orlando

# impact report

2016-2017

## message from the president & ceo

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Orlando serves as a catalyst for neighborhood transformation; paving the way for strong and stable communities through construction, lending, homeownership and education. In 2016, we celebrated our 30th anniversary of providing affordable homeownership in our community. Affordable homeownership creates opportunity for parents, stability for children, and strength for neighborhoods.

With the support of our donors, volunteers, and change makers like you, over 300 homes have been built and over 200 homes repaired since 1986. For every nail hammered and every house sold, we are one step closer to eliminating substandard housing and developing thriving communities.



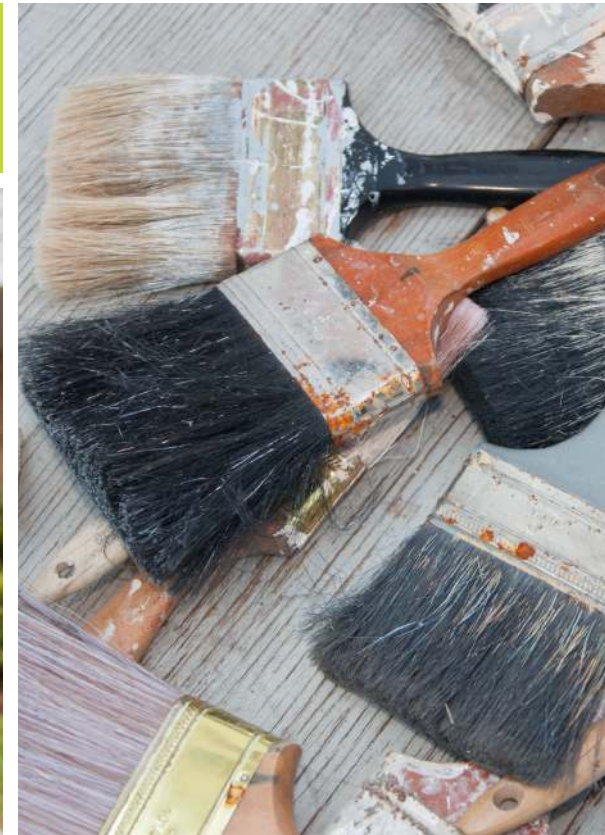
In 2017, we broke ground on our third planned community, Arbor Bend, which will feature 34 homes. As construction proceeds over the next few years, qualified families will participate in financial workshops as well as the construction of their home. Once complete, we will sell the homes with an affordable mortgage, providing a hand up, not a hand out for Habitat Greater Orlando homebuyers.

No matter who we are or where we come from, we all deserve to feel strength and stability. This is what unites us. On behalf of our board of directors and staff, we thank you for your continued support and we look forward to empowering families and strengthening communities together.

*Catherine*

**Catherine Steck McManus**  
President and CEO

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# our year in numbers

**\$650**

is the average monthly mortgage payment of a Habitat Greater Orlando homeowner

**2.6M**

pounds of landfill diverted by the two Orlando ReStores

**89**

existing homes provided with repairs through our Neighborhood Revitalization program



**0**

homes given away

**4,636**

hours of sweat equity contributed by future Habitat homeowners



**85**

men, women, and children impacted by the construction of 18 homes



**94**

community development residents engaged from Greater Malibu Groves neighborhood

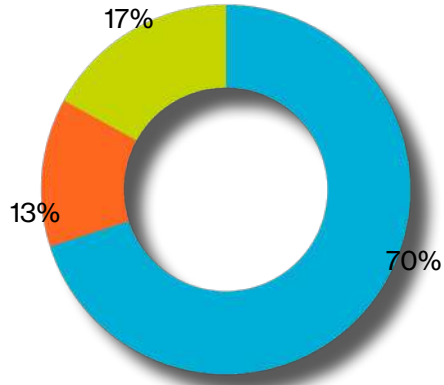
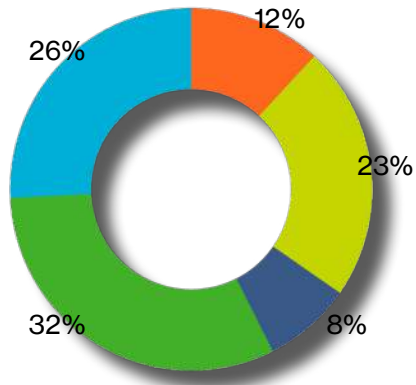
more than **\$73,000**

raised by 216 Women Build participants

**35,217**

volunteer hours

# revenue & expense



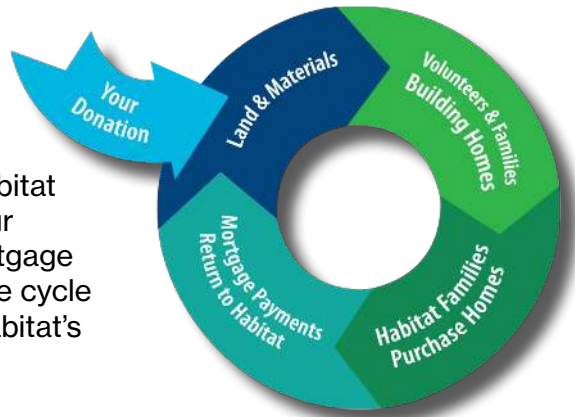
- corporate and individual philanthropy
- grants
- restore gross sales
- homeowner mortgage payments
- gifts-in-kind

- program
- administration
- fundraising

*\* Visit [habitorlando.org](http://habitorlando.org) to view our detailed audited financials*

## habitat's revolving fund for humanity

Donations enter into the revolving fund cycle as Habitat builds and sells homes. Our partner families make mortgage payments that continue the cycle and account for 12% of Habitat's annual revenue.



# building futures

Most renters are housing cost burdened, spending over 30% of their income on rent as the supply of affordable rental units fails to keep up with the growing need. With your support Habitat homeowners are able to purchase their homes at an affordable mortgage and provide stability for their family.

Everyone deserves a decent place to live and everyone can do something today to help make that possible for another family. At Habitat for Humanity of Greater Orlando, this is what unites us. Through volunteerism, financial support, and advocacy, you can make a difference today. Find out how at [habitorlando.org](http://habitorlando.org).

**According to the National Low Income Housing Coalition, an Orange County resident would need to work 82 hours a week at minimum wage to afford a modest one bedroom rental home at fair market rent.**





**Karen's journey to providing a stable home for her son, Mateo, and daughter, Mia,** began when she was living at a domestic violence shelter and was searching for comfort and security for her family.

She had learned about Habitat Greater Orlando in 2013 and began her 300 hours of sweat equity despite being diagnosed with sickle-cell anemia, a condition in which there aren't enough healthy red blood cells to carry adequate oxygen throughout the body, and while working as a crossing guard with the Orlando Police Department.

Karen purchased her home in November 2016 and is proud to say that she is the first person in her family to own a home. Karen's parents and her eight siblings currently live in Honduras, but now that she is living in the Butler's Preserve community, Karen has a support system of 58 new neighbors. She enjoys going grocery shopping with her neighbor Raquel and baking with her neighbor Connie.

**“Living in the Butler's Preserve community, I never feel alone. I can proudly say that I know all of my neighbors and that is the best feeling in the world.” -Karen**

You can find Karen and her two children riding their bicycles throughout the neighborhood on the weekends, having movie nights on their living room couch, and cooking together in their kitchen. She is looking forward to watching her children grow in a home that is strong foundation for their future.



**Karl Hodges**  
Board Chair  
2016-2018

I support Habitat Greater Orlando because I believe everyone should have the opportunity to achieve the American Dream of homeownership. Affordable housing provides a solid foundation and is the platform on which a family lives out today's realities and prepares for tomorrow's transformations.

**“I had to embrace my new normal and with the repairs that were made to my home by Habitat Greater Orlando, I now have the freedom and independence I had been longing for. It changed my life.” -Genice**



**Genice had a normal, everyday life. She enjoyed dancing with her friends, cooking in her kitchen, and spending time with her two children. Until one day, her life drastically changed.** She went to her doctor after noticing some unusual symptoms, and left diagnosed with myasthenia gravis, a chronic autoimmune neuromuscular disorder characterized by fluctuating weakness of the voluntary muscle groups.

As a result of her diagnosis, Genice now has to utilize a wheelchair, is no longer able to drive, and simple things like talking and being outside have become difficult tasks. As a mother of two, she relied solely on assistance from her children. Her home, which was once a safe haven, had become a difficult and dangerous environment for her.

Through experiencing her struggles firsthand, her children combined their money, and saved up to surprise her with an electric wheelchair for Christmas last year. Genice applied for Habitat Greater Orlando's repair program, which is provided at no cost for existing homeowners in the area surrounding the organization's second planned community of Butler's Preserve.

This opportunity to make it accessible was exactly what she needed. Before the repairs, she would continuously burn her arms on her stove because she could no longer safely reach across. After one month of repair work, Habitat Greater Orlando was able to lower her cabinets and replace her stove with an ADA compliant one.

Genice is now able to cook homemade meals in a safe kitchen environment once again. In addition, she can now enter and exit her home easily with her new wheelchair ramp, and effortlessly enter her bedroom through her newly widened doorway. Her home can now be the haven it once was as she continues to embrace her new normal.

Universal Orlando Foundation is happy to partner with Habitat Greater Orlando through the Neighborhood Revitalization program. Universal Orlando team members have witnessed the impact first hand by providing thousands of hours of volunteer service since the first home was repaired in September 2014.

**Diane O'Dell**  
Executive Director at  
Universal Orlando  
Foundation





# cornerstone guild members

Our efforts hinge on the generosity of donors who help make it possible for families to have a home of their own. These donors, who go above and beyond, annually contributing \$1,000 or more, are the members of our Cornerstone Guild. Habitat Greater Orlando appreciates the hundreds of donors at other levels of giving, many who gave anonymously.



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# 2017 walter pharr legacy award

It all began when Walter Pharr became a part of Habitat Greater Orlando's first Board of Directors in 1986. He was passionate in his efforts to provide a hand up to families in need of affordable housing. Because of Walter Pharr's amazing spirit and dedication to Habitat Greater Orlando, we created the Walter Pharr Legacy Award.

This award is presented to an exceptional organization that goes above and beyond in every area of service. The 2017 Walter Pharr Legacy Award was presented to Universal Orlando Foundation. Through our partnership that began in 2014, Universal Orlando Foundation is supporting our focus on the preservation of existing affordable homes in the Orlando area. The dedication of Universal Orlando Foundation has been the driving force in making our Neighborhood Revitalization program such a success.

Universal Orlando Foundation's generosity is restoring hope and pride to all our homeowners while encouraging residents to work together as a community to improve their future.







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