

1 John 3:18
Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.



every one
deserves an opportunity
to build a better life



Annual Report 2015-16



self-reliance
through shelter Habitat
empowers



strength
a home is a strong
foundation



stability
stable homes build stable
communities

Johan Newcombe Event Center

Habitat for Humanity of Gaston County



This exquisite room is named for Johan Newcombe the first Habitat President and Executive Director. The renovations were made through a donation from the David Belk Cannon Foundation in her memory, and is available for use by the community. All rental fees directly benefit Habitat Gaston's building program.

Key Accomplishments 2015-16



volunteer hours

Volunteers worked a total of **11,839** hours in 2015-2016



restore

The ReStore kept about **200,000** items out of landfills in 2015-2016



sweat equity hours

Partner families contributed **1184** sweat equity hours in 2015-2016



homes built

Since the founding in 1989 Habitat of Gaston has built **110** homes

Beneficial Impacts of Homeownership

74%

Improvement in overall family health since moving into Habitat Home

83%

Families consider their children safe after moving into Habitat home

19%

Increase in graduation rate for homeowners over those who rent

*Stats from HFHI Beneficial Impact of Homeowners Report

Since our founding in 1989 we have built 110 homes in Gaston County. We have revitalized neighborhoods like Parkdale, McArver & Pryor Street, and mobilized volunteers for over 1,000 Saturdays to build homes. We have collaborated with other non-profits to make Gaston County a better place to live.

Housing is considered affordable when a household pays less than 30 percent of their income. The impact of owning a home and having affordable payments is powerful. It's not just a house, it's a home. It's the foundation for a better life and a stronger community.

HOME OWNERSHIP IMPROVES NEIGHBORHOODS AND STRENGTHENS COMMUNITY



HOMEOWNERS ARE more likely to repair and improve their home

more likely to know who represents them in congress



more likely to vote and more likely to read a newspaper

HOME OWNERSHIP IS GOOD FOR CHILDREN



Children of homeowners are more likely to graduate from high school

more likely to graduate from college



Will earn higher income in their lifetime

Are far less likely to become teenage parents or depend on welfare late in life



HOME OWNERSHIP IS HEALTHY



Low-income home owners report higher satisfaction, self-esteem and control over their lives

Better physical and psychological health



When a household spends less of their income on housing, they can allocate more than twice as much of their income towards buying healthier food, medicine and health care, and insurance than families who have to spend 50% or more on housing

HOME OWNERSHIP IS GOOD FOR THE ECONOMY



Home equity is the leading asset households can leverage to start businesses, finance college educations or invest in other activities

Owning a home is the largest source of personal wealth for most families



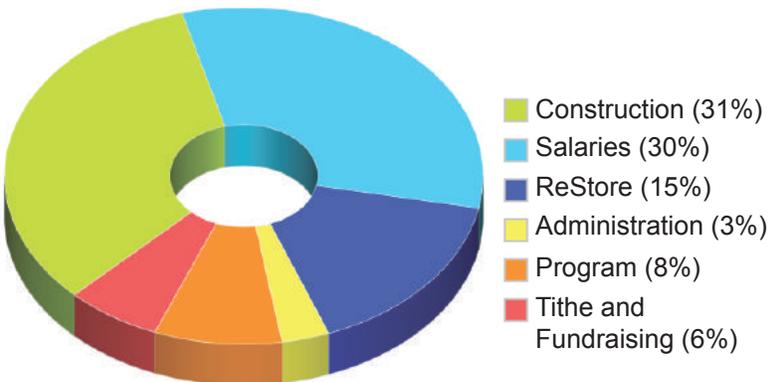
The construction and sale of each home built generates significant impact on the economy including job creation, consumer spending, fees and taxes



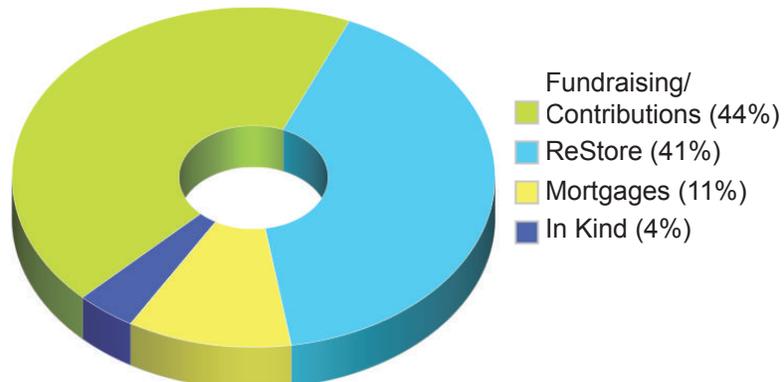
every mother
needs to know her children
have a safe place to call home

Financial Report

Expense Breakdown



Revenue Breakdown



Our Mission

Seeking to put God's love into action, Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities, and hope.



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