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Habitat Happenings



4th Annual Rock the Block

Summer is in full swing and Rock the Block 2022 is almost here. We are gearing up for another great event in Port Huron, as Blue Water Habitat for Humanity and it's partners, The Blue Water Area Chamber and the City of Port Huron, Parks and Recreation, help another community. This year's Rock the Block will take place August 20, 2022 in the KIND Park area. KIND Park is located on Jenks St, with cross streets of 12th and Lapeer.

Volunteers and sponsors are the key to the success of this event. Over 100 volunteers help us annually to do home repair projects, beautification and park updates. Though the major event takes place in one day, much of the prep and finish work starts before and continues after. This is our 4th Annual Rock the Block and we are grateful to have returning volunteers and sponsors but always welcome more. Families in the community are not charged for any of the work and can also apply to the City of Port Huron for additional home repair grants.

For information on sponsorship and volunteer opportunities and please contact Kara at 810-985-9080 ext. 200 or at kara@bwhabitat.org. We hope you will join us for this great community event.

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Meet Our Newest Habitat Family

I have the pleasure of introducing you to Blue Water Habitat for Humanity's newest family. The Kilbourne Family, mother Michelle and her two daughters, Kassidy and Kylie are excited about their new journey with Blue Water Habitat for Humanity. They have already initiated their "sweat equity" hours by helping to maintain (mowing) the property which is currently designated for our upcoming build. Michelle has faced many challenges in her life but has spent the last several years reshaping, redirecting and applying her energies in a very positive direction for her and her children. Owning a home was one of the most important goals on her list and she is well on her way to watching that dream and aspiration come to fruition. If you wish to volunteer or donate for the build of the Kilbourne Home in Port Huron, please contact us. We will keep you updated on the family and the build progress.



Blue Water Habitat for Humanity

- BWHFH serves St. Clair and Sanilac Counties.
- Formed in 1990, BWHFH has helped 215 families build or improve a place to call home.
- Each housing project required roughly 2,000 volunteer hours from start to finish to complete.
- Families purchase their homes after contributing more than 300 (500 for families with two adults) hours of "sweat equity" with BWHFH.
- Affordable mortgages and energy efficiency make homes affordable for our low-income neighbors.

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Welcome Home

The Yale project was completed in July. The house looks incredible. Thank you to our sponsors and dedicated volunteers. Without you none of our work would be possible. The Sam's Family will be completing their home mortgage in the near future. They are looking forward to owning and living in a new energy efficient home, with a



spacious yard in a wonderful neighborhood.

Our next build will be in Port Huron. Please see the Meet the Family article in this newsletter. We encourage new families to apply to our program and we will be holding a home owner informational meeting in the fall. For additional information or questions please call Kara at 810-985-9080 ext. 200 or email her at kara@bwhabitat.org.



Answering A Call

Blue Water Habitat for Humanity is currently working on build plans and volunteer opportunities for 2022. How can you, your business or organization get involved with projects? Contact us today at 810-985-9080 ext. 206.

July-September: In addition to working on construction projects, volunteers and volunteer groups are invited to participate in hospitality projects, fundraising events and on committees. The Habitat for Humanity ReStore in Port Huron utilizes volunteers in a number of ways. Call 810-364-6919 to volunteer at the ReStore!

To see a list of volunteer opportunities visit: www.bwhabitat.org





We are continuing to stay up to date on safety guidelines and following COVID-19 protocols.

We are continuing curbside pick ups. What does this mean? We will schedule a pick up of donated items from your porch, garage or front yard.



WE ALWAYS ACCEPT DONATIONS!
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 3524 Pine Grove Ave. Port Huron
 Mon-Sat 9am-5pm



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