



Summer 2024
Volume 6, Issue 3

Habitat Happenings

Making a House a Home

The Kilbourne Family mortgaged their house at the end of June and are now living in the house that Habitat volunteers built together. Having had the opportunity to spend a little time in the house during maintenance review walk through, I was delighted to see that the family had already placed touches into the house to make it their own and turn this house that efficiently provides a safe affordable place to live, into a home they now call their own.

These are the moments that renew my sense of “why” I and others do what we do. Seeing the pure joy in the homeowner’s face and hearing the plans for what they will be doing with decorating and backyard projects. Her sense of pride and accomplishment filled me with that feeling which only this program and process can create. May they be blessed in their new home and thank you to the volunteers, donors and sponsors that made this all possible.



A New Family on the Horizon

We are pleased to introduce to you our newest future homeowner Gilbert Doway. Gilbert is a retired educator that has been volunteering for Blue Water Habitat for Humanity for the past two years . Gilbert has family in the Blue Water Area and is



looking forward to establishing and building a home and life here. Stay tuned for more details on Gilbert and the process of our newest build.

Inside this issue

Employees	2
Programs	2
Events	3
ReStore	4

Summer in the ReStore

It's summer and it's a perfect time to ReStore your home and donate to the ReStore. We accept gently used furniture, appliances, housewares, lawn and garden, seasonal items and more. You can bring them to our donation center located at the back of our ReStore, 3524 Pine Grove, the



donation center entrance is off Holland. Or you can schedule a pick up from our ReStore truck (810-364-6919).

Remember not only can you donate to the ReStore you can also shop with us. We carry gently used products as well as new retail products. We are a great resource for redecorating, furnishing a new apartment, home or dorm room. Our paint product line is affordable and good quality.

The ReStore is virtually a new store every day. Speaking of new, we have 2 new employees, Tim Keller and Mike Clark. Both gentlemen are looking forward to helping you on your ReStore truck pick ups or at our donation center and sales floor. Welcome Tim and Mike!

Donate. Shop. Volunteer.



We are also currently accepting applicants for our Homeownership Program and our Veteran Home Repair Program. To learn more about these programs please reach out to Kara at 810-985-9080 ext. 200 or kara@bwhabitat.org.





Rock the Block is almost here!

It's almost time to Rock the Block 2024! Saturday August 17, 2024. This year will be in the 16th Street Park Area where we will be working with volunteers serving families in home repair and beatification. Our partnership with the Blue Water Area Chamber and the City of Port Huron and Recreation Department has become very successful over the years. This partnership has opened doors to our incredible sponsors to not only change neighborhoods but

assist in the upgrades of parks in our area.

You can still get involved as a sponsor and or a volunteer. Please contact Blue Water Habitat for Humanity or the Blue Water Area Chamber to be part of the excitement and positive changes in our community at either 810-858-2896 or 810-985-9080 ext. 200.

Come Rock with us this year at Rock the Block 2024!

SPONSORS

**Interested in becoming
a sponsor or volunteer?
Call Joyce at 810-858-2896**

Looking Ahead to Fall

Our Fall Awards and Fundraising event is October 29th at the Doubletree by Hilton. This year will include the awards ceremony followed by a comedic dinner theatre performance provided by the talents of Werth Productions and Consulting. You may join us by obtaining your individual seat or by becoming one of our sponsors. The proceeds from this event help us to serve families in the Blue Water Area with home repairs and home builds. Our program includes services for veterans and seniors. Join us for an evening of entertainment and awards all while providing funding for safe decent affordable housing in our community. It is your patronage which makes it possible for us to provide services in the continuing housing crisis. We thank you for all you have done to keep us strong and all that you will do to ensure a prosperous future for Blue Water Habitat for Humanity. For additional information please contact Kara at 810-985-9080 ext. 200 or kara@bwhabitat.org.



FALL FUNDRAISER

Blue Water
Habitat for Humanity®



Shopping in
our **ReStore** is a great way
to make your **tax return** go farther
while also **supporting your community!**



Always Accepting Donations
Call 810.364.6919 FOR PICKUP!

3524 Pine Grove Ave. Port Huron
Mon-Sat 9am-5pm

ACCEPTED DONATED ITEMS:

- Appliances
- Architectural Items
- Cabinets
- Doors
- Decorating Supplies
- Electrical & Lighting Fixtures
- Flooring
- Furniture
- Hardware
- Heating Fixtures
- Home Goods
- Lumber
- Plumbing Fixtures
- Tools
- Windows

Please accept the enclosed gift of: _____
Checks may be made payable to BWHFH

____ I wish to remain anonymous

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

____ Please bill my credit card (circle one)

Visa

MasterCard

Discover

American Express

Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Cardholder Signature: _____ CCV: _____



Gifts can be mailed to:
BWHFH
PO Box 610367
Port Huron, MI 48061-0367