



# SITE LINES

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*Building strength, stability, and self-reliance through homeownership*

## Phoenixville ReStore Opening & Caln 20th Anniversary!

We recently opened the doors to our brand new ReStore location in Phoenixville. Meanwhile, our Caln, PA ReStore location celebrated its 20th anniversary on May 17th, 2022! We are so excited to have two ReStore locations serving the Chester County community. At the ReStores, we carry new and gently-used furniture, appliances, housewares, kitchen materials, and more! Inventory changes on a day-to-day basis based on community donations. Each year we divert roughly 1 million pounds of waste from landfills and provide access to essential home items. Shopping and donating at the ReStore promotes a cycle of sustainability and affordability. Donate and shop at our ReStore locations in Phoenixville, PA and Caln, PA.

- 785 Starr St, Phoenixville
- 1853 E Lincoln Hwy, Coatesville



Local student, Ava Watson, is the founding member of her high school's Habitat for Humanity Club at West Chester East. This past year, Ava took the initiative to organize a community day in her very own neighborhood. Ava reached out to our team at the Chester County ReStore to assist in her plan of action. She worked closely with our Logistics Coordinator, Lindsay, to gain knowledge of the ReStore donation and screening process. Ava showed great enthusiasm for Habitat's mission and for her local community. After learning the ropes from our team, she was able to solely manage the correspondence of donations in her neighborhood. Ava paid close attention to each detail of the ReStore donation

process in order to make her community day a success. When it came time to schedule donation pickups, Ava created a logistical route to efficiently pick up the donations. Ava took on this large community effort by herself and encouraged her fellow club members to create similar projects in their own neighborhoods. Ava's community day spread knowledge of our local ReStore services and how trouble-free the donation process truly is. We are so proud to have such amazing volunteers in our program. This year, Ava Watson will be a senior at West Chester East High School, where she plans to play soccer, as well as continue to help her Habitat for Humanity Club thrive.

## New Habitat Initiative:

# Critical Home Repair Program

Habitat for Humanity of Chester County has expanded its mission to include a Critical Home Repair program designed to help our partners address critical health and safety issues in their homes, accessibility issues for seniors and people with disabilities, and housing code violations. Providing home repairs helps to alleviate standard living conditions and preserve existing affordable housing stock throughout Chester County. The repairs are considered critical when they improve the health, safety, accessibility, and/or energy efficiency of residents and their homes.

Contact Brooke Seeger for more information at **610-384-7993, ext. 115**, or [brooke@hfcc.org](mailto:brooke@hfcc.org).



## What repairs are considered?

- Installing smoke & carbon monoxide detectors
- Roofing repairs/replacement
- Electrical repairs & upgrades
- Plumbing
- Exterior siding
- Bathroom & accessibility modifications, such as installing grab bars & ramps, shower conversions, widening doorways
- Drywall & flooring repairs
- Replacing windows to meet fire safety code
- Heating & cooling
- Carpentry relating to the structural integrity
- Diminishing common causes of respiratory illness including cockroach infestations, dust mites in old carpeting, mold, & improperly vented fuel-burning appliances
- Visit [hfcc.org/homeownership/criticalrepair](http://hfcc.org/homeownership/criticalrepair) to see if you qualify

## Construction Update Corner

Our Coatesville and West Grove homes are under construction! This summer, we have made extensive progress on each of these sites. Pictured here are three of the last four homes in the Cambria Terrace Development in Coatesville. Our West Grove homes broke ground into phase four of development this past June, with their superior walls being put up. They are currently in phase three of development which included finishing touches of front porches and new sidewalk paving.



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Donor Highlight:  
The Constance & Carl Foundation

John Poulton and Habitat Executive Director Chris Weisman

This season, we would like to shine a donor spotlight on John Polton! John is a Strategic Advisor for Brown Advisory. He also manages the Constance and Carl Ferris Charitable Foundation. The founders of the organization, Connie and Carl Ferris, had a daughter Amy who was very passionate about Habitat for Humanity's mission. When Amy tragically passed away, the Constance and Carl Foundation decided to further support Habitat's mission in Amy's honor. This summer 2022, manager John Polton visited Habitat's West Grove, PA housing site to see the progress and meet one of the homeowners. A quote from the Constance and Carl Foundation appears below:

"The Constance and Carl Ferris Charitable Operating Foundation, Inc. have been a significant sponsor of the West Grove home sites. Connie and Carl Ferris formed the Foundation to honor the passing of their daughter Amy who was actively involved in Habitat for Humanity in Pennsylvania. On a recent visit to the West Grove community, John Poulton, the Vice President of the Foundation and close friend of Carl

and Connie, remarked that "he was very impressed with the progress that is being made to provide affordable housing to the individuals living in this area. The houses are wonderful and allow people to move from one-bedroom apartments to four-bedroom townhouses while reducing their monthly living expenses. This is truly a fabulous project, and I am confident that Amy, Connie, and Carl would be proud of Habitat for Humanity's significant progress in this community. John also noted that the Foundation plans to sponsor another five homes in this community."

We would like to thank John and the whole team at Constance and Carl Ferris Charitable Foundation for their continued support.

## Homeowner Highlight: Kebeh Gleh Family



This summer, we are highlighting the story of Kebeh Gleh and her family. Kebeh Upon coming to America from West Africa in 2018, Kebeh struggled with finding a place for her and her two children to stay. After many prayers and much anticipation, on March 2, 2022, Kebeh received the message from Habitat that she was approved as a homeowner. "I knelt down on my knees to give thanks to God. I called my godmother and sister to give them the good news. These were my exact words in response to that emailed: Thank you so much for the great news, thank you Jesus, best news of our lives, God bless you, thank you, thank you, am so happy... It is a beautiful experience and great

opportunity to tell people that we are homeowners. Having our own sleeping place is a feeling that life, hope, joy, peace, self-confidence and values have been restored. My children and I are looking forward for a better and brighter future with the help and support of Habitat to bring our dream to reality. We will forever remain thankful to all those who made our life to have a meaning, hope and dream come true. Thank you all for your support." It is through sharing stories like these that we see the powerful outcomes of the housing program, as well as the valiant efforts of our volunteers and donors. We would like to thank our Habitat community for their continued support so that affordable and safe housing can be available to all.

# LOOKBACK: SPRING AND SUMMER EVENTS

Check out our events from this past Spring and Summer!

## Build A House Event: March 2022



1st place to Sofia H. of Garnet Valley

Thank you to everyone that joined us for the 19th Annual Build a House, Build a Dream Contest! On March 19th, 2022, 70 local 5th graders from over 15 different schools presented their dream homes! Our panel of judges from local architectural and construction firms were very impressed by the student's designs. Students explained their inspiration for their houses as well as how they created them. We saw houses made out of Legos, rainbows, and even pinecones. The 51 dream homes made their way through three rounds of judging. Some homes focused on green technology while others were prepared for potential floods after what they saw through hurricane Ida. The judges selected these dream homes as the final three, along with a fan favorite.



2nd Aditi S. and Mia V. from Garnet Valley

## Hops for Homes: May 2022

Thank you to everyone who came out to our first annual Hops for Homes Beer Festival on Saturday, June 18th! A special shoutout to our amazing sponsors, participating breweries, cideries, and bands that helped make the event a success!



3rd place Neharika V. from Garnet Valley

### Participating Breweries:

Be Here Brewing Company  
 Conshohocken Brewing Co.  
 Hares Hill Brewing Company  
 La Cabra Brewing  
 Levante Brewing  
 Locust Lane Craft Brewery  
 Suburban Brewing Co.  
 Stolen Sun  
 Old Stone Cider  
 Rebel Seeds  
 Dressler Estate



### Food Vendors:

On the Roll Food Truck  
 Catering 322 Taproom



Fan Favorite winner is Greyson C. from Penn Wynne Elementary!

### Bands:

Yesterday's News  
 Voodoo DeVille

HOPS FOR HOMES  
 THANK YOU SPONSORS!



# UPCOMING & ONGOING

## Quarterly Update: July 2022

Our quarterly update was held on July 28th, 2022. This virtual Zoom panel was hosted by our Executive Director, Chris Wiseman, and Community Program Director, Brooke Seeger. The panel discussed the various ways that individuals can get involved at the construction site, the ReStores, and even the board room, all to help make the dream of affordable homeownership a reality for families in Chester County. The summer 2022 quarterly update is available to view on our YouTube channel - Habitat for Humanity of Chester County.

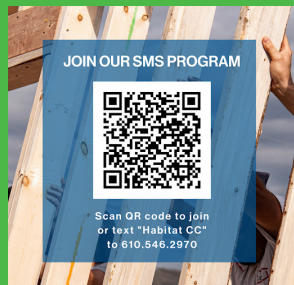


## Golf Outing: September 2022

Our 19th annual Driving to Build Strength, Stability, and Self-Reliance Golf Outing will be held on Monday, September 19, 2022 from 9am-5 pm at Hartefeld National Golf Course. Join us for a full 18 holes in combination with:

- 9:00 AM Registration, Bloody Mary/Mimosa Bar
- 10:30 AM Shotgun Start, Gourmet Lunch & Snack Stations on Course
- 3:30 PM Cocktail and Buffet Reception & Putting Contest
- 4:00 PM Silent Auction & Awards

For more information visit our website: [hfhcc.org](http://hfhcc.org)



## Join our SMS Program!

Stay in the know with Habitat! Sign up for our SMS texting program today to receive the latest updates, promotions, event details, and more!

## Check Out Our Blog Posts!

Introducing our new blog posts! Find the "blog" tab on our website to learn more about Habitat, our mission, and ways to get involved! Check out our latest post about the Square Foot Club, and our upcoming Golf Outing!

## New Ways to Support Habitat

There are many options to get involved in supporting our cause at Habitat for Humanity of Chester County. For more information on each of the following programs, please visit our website, [hfhcc.org](http://hfhcc.org).



## Square Foot Club

The Square Foot Club is a unique group of loyal donors who make an impact all year long through monthly donations. These gifts give us a steady stream of income to ensure our programs are sustained throughout the year and allow us to properly plan for growth. You can help break the cycle of poverty by joining the Square Foot club today!

## Cryptocurrency Options

Donations in any form help Habitat for Humanity of Chester County build a more inclusive neighborhood. Whether donating in a traditional sense or using Cryptocurrency, all funds raised help give a hand up to a family in the area.

## Legacy Foundation

By making a permanent gift to Habitat through your will, trust, beneficiary designation, or by your investment in a charitable gift annuity, you ensure that our partnership will endure long after your lifetime until our shared vision is realized and everyone has a decent place to live.

## Become an Advocate for Affordable Housing

Support Habitat for Humanity of Chester County's mission by advocating for policy and systems change at the local, state and federal levels.

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