Streen Mountain Habitat for Humanity®

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"To be a homeowner means everything to me and my daughter. It's a lifelong dream I've always had and now I finally have something to pass along to her when she starts a family of her own."

- Nema, Habitat Homebuyer



2021 IMPACT REPORT

Thank you for an incredible year!

No matter who we are or where we come from, we all deserve to have a decent place to live. We deserve to feel strength and stability day after day. We deserve to know we have the power to take care of ourselves and build our own futures.

Since Green Mountain Habitat started in 1984, our volunteers, donors, and partner families have built **90 homes**, and with an average family of three living in a Habitat home, your financial contributions have helped nearly **270 low-income Vermonters** settle into a home of their own.

Your support of Green Mountain Habitat over the past year has inspired us to work hard to find opportunities to help more low-income families realize the benefits of affordable homeownership. We know when children and families have a stable and safe place to call home, they become more self-reliant and engaged in their community.

In this past year, we continued to build with our volunteers and partner families, helping build **5 new homes** and we are currently working on **another 5 homes in 2022**. One of our partner families shared this about their sweat equity hours when asked what they were most excited about for their new home:

"We helped build this home and I can't believe we actually get to live here when it's finished. You get used to the unsafe and unhealthy living conditions because that's all there is. But when you can see what's possible, it's like you get to start fresh."

- Greg, Habitat Homeowner





Top: Greg and Samantha putting in sweat equity hours for their new home.

Partner Family Spotlight:

In 2021, Greg was notified that he and his daughter Samantha were selected as a new Habitat family and would be able to move into a new home. Since then, they have worked side by side helping to build their new home in Milton, along with a steady crew of long-time volunteers. When asked what they were most excited about, Samantha piped up to say she was very excited to start a garden and learn how to harvest honey in their backyard. Both of them agreed that the absolute best thing would be to be able to enjoy their harvest from their garden and eat dinner together at the table, something they haven't been able to do in their current living situation.

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NUMBERS & STATISTICS

Because of your support...

- 6,120 items were dropped off at our ReStores, which resulted in diverting 1.9 million pounds of material from going into our landfills
- Our partner families, and our amazing and loyal volunteers who logged 20,232 hours both the construction site and our ReStores, coupled with the financial support of our donors, we were able to build 5 new homes in Chittenden County. Multiply 5 homes by 3 (the average family size),and over 15 children and parents are now in a safe, healthy, affordable home.
- Significant positive impact on affordable homeownership within Northwestern Vermont continues to be made.

What our volunteers are saying:

With over **400 dedicated volunteers,** we are able to move the needle and make affordable homeownership possible for many Vermonters. It gives us great pride to hear our volunteers share what the experience means to them. As one of our volunteers shared: "I had no idea how to use a power tool before volunteering with Green Mountain Habitat, but after volunteering for a few years, I feel confident I can take on more. This has been such a great experience."

- Green Mountain Habitat Volunteer

Your 2021 donation is helping:

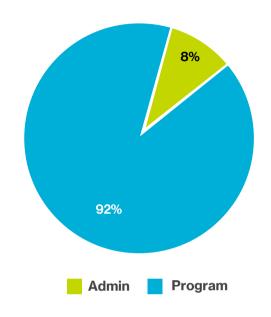
- Complete construction on a new duplex and single-family home in Burlington
- Complete construction on a new duplex in Milton and help us make plans for an additional duplex in the same neighborhood
- Helped purchase land for additional housing in Burlington's New North End

On the horizon for 2022 and 2023

- Groundbreaking for construction of a new duplex in Shelburne
- Partnering with Champlain Housing Trust to bring 20 new Habitat homes to the Hinesburg community
- Creating opportunities for 7-9 more Habitat homes
 in Underhill

We are excited about the future, and the positive and sustainable impact we can all have on the issue of affordable housing and homeownership. On behalf of Green Mountain Habitat for Humanity and our partner families, we are grateful for your support.

How your donation was spent:



David Mullin, Executive Director