



What is our mission?

Wyoming Valley Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit organization that builds simple, decent homes to sell to families in need. We use volunteer labor and charitable gifts to ensure our homes are affordable to families in Wyoming Valley. WVHFH is a Christian ministry dedicated to building homes in partnership with the entire community, including businesses, congregations, schools, individuals, and partner families.

Why is owning a home so important?

All partner families are first-time home owners. Families come from living situations that are substandard, meaning conditions that are unsafe, unsanitary or overcrowded. High rent payments often make it difficult for families to afford necessities. When families are able to provide a safe environment for themselves and their children they feel connected to their communities. Children who feel secure at home are more likely to succeed in school and extracurricular activities. Owning a home creates a sense of pride and for many families is a dream come true.

Who builds a Habitat house?

The families who partner with Habitat invest at least 200 hours of “sweat equity” volunteer labor related to the building of the home. Community groups from businesses, churches, schools and organizations volunteer their time. Both skilled and unskilled volunteers are always welcome. By keeping labor costs low, Habitat is able to make homes more affordable to families who may not otherwise be able to become homeowners.

What does it cost to build a Habitat house?

An average Habitat house for a family of four, locally, is 1,100 square feet, has 3 bedrooms. Habitat houses are affordable because there is no profit in the sale price. Mortgages are no-interest. The homeowners’ monthly mortgage payments are used to build still more Habitat houses. Contributions of cash, land, equipment and building supplies are gratefully accepted.

How does Wyoming Valley Habitat for Humanity make a difference?

We believe there is a role for everyone committed to the mission of Wyoming Valley Habitat for Humanity and we seek to enrich our organization through the involvement of the whole community. In Wyoming Valley, we have built or rehabilitated 22 homes and sold them to families who otherwise would not have been able to afford home ownership.

Learn more about Wyoming Valley Habitat for Humanity at www.wv-hfh.org.

**Equal Housing Opportunity.
We conduct business in accordance with the Federal Fair Housing Law**

