HABITAT BUILDER



Sharing the vision of a safe and stable place to call home - for everyone



Thirty Stories for Thirty Years

Celebrating the last three decades through the stories of the people who got us here.

For thirty years, people from all walks of life have come together to build stronger families and a stronger San Gabriel Valley.

Celebrating this milestone came down to something simple - YOU. Whether you're a donor, volunteer, ReStore shopper, elected official or other supporter - you have made it possible for generations of families to stand on their own and flourish through the power of homeownership.

The story of Ofelia and her two children (pictured left) is the first of our "30 Stories for 30 Years". Join us all year long to read about people, just like her, who have built homes, community and hope right here in the San Gabriel Valley. For Ofelia's complete story and the 29 other accounts of everyday heroes, please visit our website: www.sgvhabitat.org/thirty.

Thanks to you...

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Test Your Habitat Knowledge

Who is Habitat for Humanity's most well-known volunteer?

- a) Jimmy Carter
- b) Millard Fuller
- c) Clarence Jordan

Answer: (a) Jimmy Carter

Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter have been involved with Habitat for over 35 years. To date, they have worked alongside 103,000 volunteers in 14 countries to build, renovate and repair 4,331 homes.

What's New?

- This winter, we launched a program that acquires and renovates vacant homes to create new affordable housing!
- A new ReStore is coming to Duarte!
- Check out our updated website and NEW ReStore website. Get more details below!



Construction Updates

Baldwin Park - Rehabilitation: This is the first of our renovation projects and the first homeownership project in Baldwin Park. Upgrades to this 3-bedroom, 1-bathroom property include a new kitchen, LED lighting, double-pane windows, and insulation.



Help Us Find the Next Spirit of Women Build Recipients!

Every year, our Women Build participants put their muscles where their mouths are to build stronger families and a stronger San Gabriel Valley. This year, we are looking for amazing women to honor at our event - and we need your help!

Nominate an amazing woman who's making a difference in her community for the Spirit of Women Build Award. The nomination form is on our website!

Due to COVID-2019, we have postponed the May 1-2, 2020 Women Build event. We look forward to seeing you there later this year! Please visit our website for updates.

Want more info? Go to sgvhabitat.org/womenbuild



Partner Corner

Your generosity sustains our new home construction and home repair programs, while helping us develop new housing models like our rehabilitation program.

Grifols
Southern California Edison
Pasadena Tournament of Roses
Pacific Premier Bank
Saybrook University
Alliance Apparel
Cathay Bank Foundation
Common Securitization Solutions
Kaiser Permanente
Soares Family Foundation

3M Foundation
Bluebeam Inc.
Bank of America
Wells Fargo
C. W. Driver
Citizens Business Bank
Everbridge
Pasadena Community Foundation
Lluella Morey Murphey Foundation
Oaktree Capital

Monterey Park - Renovation: This four bedroom, two bathroom house is our first homeownership project in this city. Built in 1947, and acquired by us in 2019, our volunteers have made several improvements, including a new bathroom, improved layout and several energy efficiency upgrades, making this home green and liveable for generations to come.



Fun Fact: Our renovations are typically faster and less expensive than new home construction. Your donations serve more families in less time!

Recently Completed Projects

- 6 new homes on Lomita Ave. in Glendale
- 2 new homes on Manzanita Ave. in Pasadena **Coming Soon**
- 2 new homes on Howard Ave. in Pasadena
- 3 new homes on Angeleno Ave. in Azusa
- 1 new home on Olive Ave. in Altadena
- 3 rehab projects in Baldwin Park, El Monte, and Alhambra.

New Websites!

SGVHabitat.org has been redesigned to provide you with the latest in Habitat news and resources. **SGVReStore.org** is now available to help you schedule your ReStore donations faster and easier!

Thank You!

A New ReStore is Coming to Duarte!

A better location means treasures are easier to find.



We're getting the Duarte location at 2215 Huntington Drive (above) ready for you to explore.

Save Your Donations

While we cannot currently accept pickup and drop-off donations, please save your items for donation because we'll need your help to restock our stores.

Be the First to Know

Sign-up for our e-newsletter or check our website, **www.sgvrestore.org**, to receive the latest updates about ReStore openings, donations and our online eStore.

Creativity in Affordable Housing

Assemblymember Friedman Named Legislator of the Year

Tuesday, February 4th was Habitat for Humanity California's annual Advocacy Day event.

Over 25 Habitat California chapters joined together to advocate for affordable housing and to honor Assemblymember Laura Friedman (pictured right) with the Legislator of the Year award for her creative and trailblazing work in making the dream of homeownership more accessible for low-income families throughout our state.

California has the sixth-lowest homeownership rate in the country, making Friedman's timely work on affordable homeownership even more important.

Last year, Assemblymember Laura Friedman proposed



and successfully passed AB 587, a bill to allow qualified nonprofit organizations like SGV Habitat to create accessory dwelling units (ADUs) for affordable homeownership. Previously, ADUs had only been allowed as rental housing - something many felt was not enough to resolve the housing crisis in California.

Assemblymember Friedman believes in the long-term value of homeownership and the need for a stable home. "People want that sense of security. They want to know that the place [where] they sleep at night belongs to them. [...] [Homeownership helps] people feel that they're not transient anymore, that they're going to grow roots in their community, and that they're invested in the community in a different kind of way."

Assemblymember Friedman is excited about AB 587 because "it's going to be an incredible opportunity for even more families to be part of the American dream."

See our interview with Laura Friedman





ADUs and You:

UP YOUR INCOME

You can build an ADU and rent it out affordably, providing an individual or family in need of housing a safe and stable place to live.

KEEP FAMILY CLOSE

ADUs are the perfect option for family members that need affordable housing or care, without sacrificing privacy for you or them.

INVEST WISELY

Since ADUs are built on existing property that was previously unused, they add to your home's versatility and increase the resale price.

Want more information about ADUs?

Visit

How do accessory dwelling units fit in your back yard?

What is an ADU?



Often referred to as "Granny Flats," ADUs (accessory dwelling units) are an innovative way to create affordable housing in areas where unused land is becoming harder to find.