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## ANNUAL UPDATE

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2024 was a wonderful year for Habitat for Humanity New Brunswick (HabitatNB). It is our absolute pleasure to share some highlights with you. We had the privilege of housing nine new families throughout our province this year! In addition to this, we have three more homes nearing completion with occupancy planned in coming weeks. We also have four more homes in early stages of construction.

As exciting as this is, it is really just the beginning of addressing the true housing crisis that is affecting communities throughout our province - and, really, Canada as a whole. According to the results of Habitat for Humanity's third annual Affordable Housing Survey, eight-in-ten Canadians say that buying a home now feels like a "luxury", and many believe that it is simply impossible. You can read more in our 2024 Affordable Housing Survey: <https://ow.ly/UTQj50U3n7l>

HabitatNB remains committed to advocating with governments for solutions to today's housing challenges, increasing its impact for affordable housing in New Brunswick, building more homes and helping many more families achieve affordable homeownership. Together, we can build homes - and hope - for families in need of safe, affordable housing.

*"What Habitat for Humanity does for families is an amazing thing. They bring hope and comfort. Without an organization like Habitat, I truly believe that, even though I have a good job and work hard to provide for my family, I would never have owned my own home. My children and I will have a safe, affordable, efficient home for many years to come! Knowing that it's no longer a dream that always seemed just out of reach, knowing that I can finally give my children a permanent home, has been the greatest feeling". - Jennifer, Habitat Homeowner*

HabitatNB makes affordable homeownership accessible by removing barriers that make owning a home impossible for many families in lower income situations. The Habitat mortgage model is based on no-down payment, low interest, and payments geared to income. This makes homeownership much more affordable and attainable for families who would not qualify for a traditional bank mortgage.

**We would welcome your support. For more information on the vital work of Habitat NB, please visit: <https://habitatnb.ca/>**

**When you support Habitat for Humanity, you are building more than houses. You are building your community. You are building a family's confidence in their future. You are building a place of refuge, security, and strength. You are building hope for families in need of safe, affordable housing.**

**Thank you to all who kindly supported our efforts this year!**

## Welcome Home!



Erin & Family  
Fredericton



Jennifer & Family  
Fredericton



Kenny, Philip & Family  
Moncton



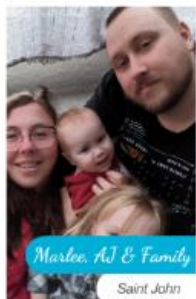
Shannon, Kevin & Family  
Miramichi



Sabrina, Alex & Family  
Miramichi



Jeremy, Amy & Family  
Miramichi



Marlee, AJ & Family  
Saint John



Bonnie & Family  
Saint John



Kristina & Family  
Shediac

**Thanks to generous community support, these nine families will be spending their first Christmas in their safe, affordable Habitat home.**

**We sincerely thank all who made these home builds possible. By working together, we can open the door to possibilities and provide families with warmth, safety and security for a lifetime.**

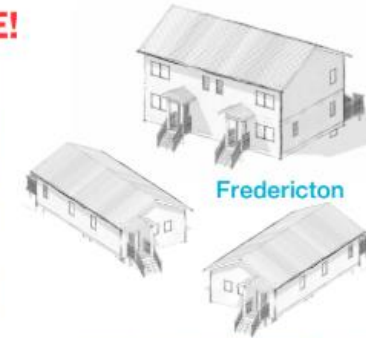
**We opened the doors to TWO new ReStore locations this year!**

On January 2nd, we opened the doors of our great new space in Saint John at 171

## HOMES AVAILABLE!



Miramichi



Fredericton



St. George



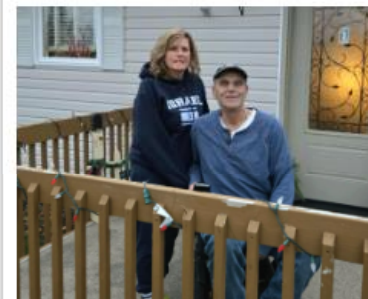
Sackville

We are now accepting applications for homes in Miramichi, Fredericton, St. George, and Sackville! To read more about these homes, please visit:

<https://habitatnb.ca/homes-available>

Application information and criteria requirements can be found here:

<https://habitatnb.ca/apply-for-homeownership>



### This is what it's all about!

We have now had the absolute pleasure of handing over mortgage discharge papers to two families in Saint John! David and Kerry (pictured left) and Jacqueline (pictured right) have now fulfilled all obligations to Habitat. They now own their homes and are mortgage-free! This is the ultimate goal of the Habitat mortgage model. It is always incredible to witness the happiness and success of our wonderful families.



McAllister Drive. This location has allowed us to better serve our valued customers by being more accessible and central to Saint John's main shopping district.



And then, on August 14th, we had the pleasure of opening a brand new ReStore in Miramichi, located at 2368 King George Highway! It has long been a goal of ours to have a store space in Miramichi and we thank all who made this possible. With this new location, we now have four Habitat ReStores throughout NB to serve you.



Through an innovative partnership between Habitat for Humanity New Brunswick, the Carpenter Millwright College of New Brunswick, the provincial government, and City of Fredericton, four new affordable homes are being built on Demerchant Drive in Fredericton while training new carpenters. Through this partnership, students have an opportunity to participate in a one-year carpentry program which offers 20 weeks in the classroom and 32 weeks on our Habitat build site.

This project combined with Habitat for Humanity's affordable mortgage model will make an incredible difference in the lives of families in need of affordable housing in the Fredericton area as well as helping to solve the skilled trades shortage.

Applications are now being accepted for these soon-to-be constructed homes.

For application information, please visit: <https://habitatnb.ca/apply-for-homeownership>



### **New Brunswick ReStore Locations:**

101-800 St. Mary's Street, Fredericton

950 Mountain Road, Moncton

171 McAllister Drive, Saint John

2368 King George Highway, Miramichi

<https://habitatnb.ca/restore>

- New products arrive daily! Inventory is constantly changing.
- All items are discounted and **tax free**
- New and gently used appliances, home décor, furniture, lighting, cabinets, seasonal items and much more!
- All proceeds support Habitat for Humanity home builds in your community & throughout our province

### **Follow us on Facebook!**

- **Fredericton:** <https://www.facebook.com/FrederictonReStore>
- **Moncton:** [Habitat for Humanity ReStore Moncton](#)
- **Saint John:** [Habitat for Humanity ReStore - Saint John](#)
- **Miramichi:** [Habitat for Humanity ReStore Miramichi](#)

### ***Did you know?***

Environmental sustainability is an important part of our ReStore operating model. Over the past thirty years, Habitat ReStores across Canada have diverted more than **950 MILLION pounds** of household items and building supplies from landfills! Please consider donating your gently used furniture, appliances, home décor, cabinets, doors, fixtures, etc. to ReStore.

**We gladly pick-up donated items (no charge) - AND issue tax receipts!**

**Who can apply for  
a Habitat  
home?**



Habitat for Humanity New Brunswick is a non-profit charitable organization working towards a world where everyone has a safe and decent place to live. Habitat brings communities together to help families build strength, stability and independence through affordable homeownership. To date, we have had the privilege of housing over 90 families throughout our province, and proudly work with families from all backgrounds who are living in lower income situations. To learn more about our no down-payment affordable mortgage model, please visit: <https://habitatnb.ca/the-habitat-model>.

### **Have you heard about our quilt raffle??**

**\* Draw Date: Dec. 18th \***

**Grand Prize: Gorgeous  
Handmade Holiday Quilt (Value:  
\$1500)**

This beautiful pinwheel pattern quilt was kindly donated to HabitatNB by the Greater Moncton Quilt Guild. It

was pieced and quilted by Vanessa Austen (2024-25 GMQG President)

- The quilt measures 75" x 89" and is 100% cotton

- Can be machine washed (it is recommended that you use a dye catcher for the first wash due to the red fabric).





### We welcome your support!

- **Choose to give a monetary gift.** To easily donate online, please visit our Canada Helps page - <https://www.canadahelps.org/dn/7950>. Cheques may be directed to: 101-800 St. Mary's Street, Fredericton NB E3G 8S8. We also gratefully accept e-transfers. Please contact us anytime to further discuss.
- **Volunteer during a Build** - Come out for the day to landscape, paint, etc.
- **Ask about our Team Build Days!** This is a wonderful team building opportunity tailored to work with your schedule and suit the needs of your group.
- **Support the Habitat ReStore!** Shop: New product arrives daily. Donate: We issue tax receipts for donated items. Or volunteer: Volunteers are always needed for a variety of shifts and duties.
- **Legacy Gifts!** Please also consider gifts of securities (ex: shares, bonds, mutual funds), land donations or a gift in a will as an alternative to cash. We would welcome the opportunity to further discuss such gifts at your convenience, and would be happy to answer any questions that you may have. Phone: (506) 474-1520; Email: [info@habitatnb.ca](mailto:info@habitatnb.ca). Charitable tax receipts will gladly be issued.
- **Gifts-in-Kind!** We welcome donations of building products and/or professional services. We gladly issue charitable tax receipts for the value of such gifts.



### ATTENTION: PARENTS & TEACHERS! The **Meaning of Home** writing contest is back!

Beginning on January 6th, we're once again asking students in Grades 4, 5 and 6 what home means to them for the chance to win a \$30,000 grant for Habitat for Humanity New Brunswick. And that's not all! For every submission, \$10 will be donated to Habitat AND there are amazing prizes to be won (including an iPad and pizza party for the winning entry)! For more information, please visit: [meaningofhome.ca](http://meaningofhome.ca).

We thank you for your consideration of participation.

**Runner Up Prizes: \$25 ReStore Gift Card (Four cards to be awarded)**

Tickets are available to purchase at all four ReStore locations in NB. Tickets can also be purchased via e-transfer by calling (506) 474-1520, or email: [info@habitatnb.ca](mailto:info@habitatnb.ca).

### We have the perfect stocking stuffer! One size fits all!

Re-loadable gift cards are now available at our Habitat ReStores! Valid for use at any of our four NB locations.



**Cards are available in any monetary amount** of your choosing. Simply visit your local area ReStore in Moncton, Fredericton, Miramichi or Saint John to pick yours up today.



**We send a HUGE "Thank You!" to each and every one of our amazing volunteers who kindly joined our efforts this year! Every hand helps a family in need. You are truly the heart of Habitat.**

