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Habitat for Humanity New Brunswick announces plans to open ReStore location in Miramichi while building two more homes in the city.

Habitat for Humanity New Brunswick (HabitatNB) first began operating in Miramichi in November of 2023 when the non-profit charitable organization started construction of a duplex on Water Street. Now, just a few months later, they are announcing construction of a second duplex on Water Street!

Applications are currently being accepted for these homes. For application information, and more information on the Habitat affordable mortgage model, please visit: https://habitatnb.ca/apply-for-homeownership

In addition to the much-needed affordable homes being built in the city, **HabitatNB will soon be opening a Habitat ReStore in Miramichi**. While the exact date will be announced in coming weeks, the ReStore is slated to open in Summer of 2024 at 2368 King George Highway (same building as Rice King Restaurant).

Habitat for Humanity ReStore is a social enterprise retailer that accepts and re-sells donations of new and gently used furniture, appliances, home décor, and home improvement building materials. Donations are gladly received from local individuals, retailers, contractors, and national partners. HabitatNB will begin accepting donations in the Miramichi area in late May. Once the store is operational, a pick-up and delivery service will also be available. ReStores are operated with a combination of paid staff and volunteers. Volunteers are an integral part of the Habitat for Humanity operating model, and there will be numerous ways for people in the community to be involved in this exciting initiative.

"We are very pleased with this news of Habitant for Humanity NB's expanding presence into our community", says Mayor Adam Lorden, City of Miramichi. "Miramichi desperately needs more affordable housing so the news of two additional units is very exciting. We also welcome the arrival of the Restore which will reduce waste and create more affordable options for home renovation and furnishing projects. We thank HabitatNB for their growing efforts in Miramichi."

Over the past thirty years, Habitat ReStores across Canada have diverted more than 950 million pounds of household items and building supplies from landfills! It is important to note that proceeds from ReStore support Habitat for Humanity operations and help build homes for families in need of safe, affordable housing.

"We are very happy to be opening this new ReStore in Miramichi", says Habitat for Humanity New Brunswick CEO, Perry Kendall. "This is an exciting step for our organization as we build on the strengths of successful ReStores already established in Moncton, Fredericton and Saint John. We look forward to strengthening our existing partnership with the City of Miramichi and seek to establish many new partnerships in the area. HabitatNB currently has 88 families in homes throughout the province and we are committed to having an even greater impact on rectifying the critical lack of affordable housing in New Brunswick. By working together, we can help many more families achieve affordable homeownership."

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