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For your convenience an envelope is enclosed if you care to make a gift to Habitat for Humanity.

Our Newest Homeowners — Ashely Bezzina & Will Ross—House #36

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Did you know Habitat homeowners pay an affordable mortgage, and their monthly house payments are cycled back into the community to help build additional Habitat houses?

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Ashley Bezzina and Will Ross had been trying to raise their growing family in a house that was in disrepair. When the opportunity to apply for a Habitat for Humanity home, they knew they had to apply. Once accepted, they worked hard along with volunteers, family members and friends to build the house they so desperately needed. A dedication of their home was held in July to welcome them officially as a Habitat Partner Family.

HFHPC Ramp Program

Habitat volunteers will provide free labor to build a ramp for anyone needing wheelchair access to their home. The cost to the ramp owner is for materials only and can be repaid on a monthly, interest free payment plan. For more information, contact the office at 570-828-1623.





Habitat of Pike County volunteers work side by side with home owners to build decent affordable housing for those in need. Our volunteers come from all walks of life, with varying skills and in many shapes and sizes. The major portion of any Habitat house is built by volunteers who have little or no previous house building experience. Of course we do welcome experienced individuals in all aspects of construction! New volunteers are always needed.

Typically, work is done from Spring through late Fall, on Mondays and Tuesdays from 8 AM to Noon. Instruction is provided and safety is our first priority.

Volunteers are also needed to help pick up of donated household items in our Habitat truck and bring them to our storage areas for our annual Garage Sale.

If you are interested in volunteering, please call the Habitat Office at 570-828-1623 or email hfhpc@ptd.net to learn more.

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Saturday, July 5 and Sunday, July 6, 2025 From 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

At Fisher Lane and Route 2001, Milford, PA 18337



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donations of furniture, tools,
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HABITAT NEWS

Newsletter of Habitat for Humanity of Pike County

"Seeking to put God's love into action, Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities and hope."



Marilyn Siracuse, a long time volunteer and board member of Habitat for Humanity of Pike County passed away on July 19, 2024. Marilyn was fiercely independent and always very generous with her time. When her children were young, she was involved in Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and CYO. Later in life, she spent her time volun-

teering with Habitat for Humanity. Marilyn's Catholic faith was also very important to her. She was active in her parish, St. Vincent de Paul R.C. Church in Milford, PA, having served as a faith formation teacher and Eucharistic minister over the years. She was an avid gardener and was always working on new projects around the house. Much to her children's dismay, those projects often involved ladders or moving heavy items like bales of hay. She enjoyed traveling with her church's senior group, meeting with her book club and playing mahjong, cards, bingo and dominoes with friends. Marilyn's greatest joy was her family and she was always most proud to talk about the accomplishments of her children, grandchildren, and greatgrandchildren.

DONATIONS OF LAND NEEDED

In the past Habitat of Pike County has been blessed to receive donations of buildable land to build affordable housing for families in need. Since the current boom in real estate sales in Pike County, this has made the acquisition of land hard to come by.

If you have a generous heart and a buildable lot to donate, it would make our mission to build affordable housing for people in need much easier. You can contact the Habitat Office at 570-828-1623.

A Word from the Board President:

Life is not easy for everyone. Circumstances sometimes bring people into situations where they just cannot control even the place where they live. The mission of Habitat is to build decent affordable housing for God's people in need. We do the best we can to build a warm, comfortable, and affordable home for families who simply need a little help. We wish we could do this for every family that is traveling through life with problems beyond their control, but for now, we do what we can, one home, one family at a time. The homes come with an interest free mortgage, a whole lot of volunteer help, a kitchen, a living room, some bedrooms and a bath. The family brings into the home their love, their appreciation, and their future. My thanks to our volunteers, donors, partner families, the board of directors, the Pike County partners and everyone who seeks to make the world a better place by helping one

Blessed Christmas and Holiday season to you all.

Along the way, Pastor Niels Nielsen - HFH Pike County

Habitat for Humanity will be accepting Homeowner Applications in April 2025

To qualify for a Habitat home, families are asked to demonstrate their need for shelter, are current residents of Pike County, are able to pay a mortgage with a qualifying family income, and a willingness to partner with our volunteers. Families are required to complete 200 hours of "sweat equity" working on their house prior to occupancy.

The Habitat Family Selection Committee will meet with prospective families to review their need for shelter, financial information, etc. in order to select the best candidate for each house. Habitat homeowners are given a 30-year, 0% interest loan to repay Habitat for the cost of the materials and sub-contractors.

If you know of a co-worker, neighbor, friend or relative who might be interested in learning more about applying for a Habitat House, or wants an application, please call the Habitat Office at 570-828-1623 or email to hfhpc@ptd.org.