THE HELPING HAND

Official Newsletter of Amarillo Habitat for Humanity



The Tu Family

FIRST TIME HOMEOWNERS!

After completing over 500 hours in sweat equity time, attending 30 financial literacy classes, and saving up a \$1,500 down payment, the Tu family purchased their Habitat home in July! Located in the Lee Green's addition in El Barrio, this 4 bedroom, 2 bathroom home wouldn't have been possible without the support of our generous volunteers and donors.

Thank you!

Restore

The floods earlier this summer impacted people all over the city. The playa lakes were overflowing, and the city was pumping as fast as they could. Unfortunately, few areas were impacted as much as Paramount and our local businesses. And that's where our Restore sits, right in the middle of the destruction, nestled on top of a hill. We woke up every single morning to check the cameras, and the weather forecast. Praying for the best, but preparing for the worst. The water seemed to inch closer and closer to our front door. Day by day passed, and we couldn't open. We tried to do what we could, by opening popup sales at our Habitat corporate office and continued to pick up some donations. The resiliency of our employees was tested, and they accepted the challenge by putting in work at the job site, painting and helping where they could on our latest house projects and around the office. We didn't want to pass this financial hardship on to them, and we were able to continue paying them throughout our closures. Thankfully at just about 3 inches from our door, the rain stopped. We were incredibly blessed to remain virtually untouched during this time. Our building was safe. But closing for seven days left an impact. Loss of revenue, and loss of donations makes it that much harder for us to meet our goals and build houses for local families. Slowly we are reclaiming what was lost through the hard work of our employees, and the support from our community. Come see us at 2626 Paramount. Tuesday-Saturday 9-5:30.





SUMMER PARTY AT GLENWOOD PARK







There's nothing we love more than spending time with the families that make Habitat possible. This year, The Amarillo Police Department cooked over 180 hot dogs and hamburgers, Story bridge provided each child with FOUR free books, Texas A&M agrilife provided healthy snacks and Extreme Inflatables provided a discounted bounce house for our families to enjoy!

















Interested in purchasing a Habitat home?

Habitat for Humanity is accepting applications!

Step one: Attend one of the homeowner application classes listed below:

 $\mathbf{9/12}$ - 5:30 pm at Habitat for Humanity | 2700 S. Wilson

9/13 - 10 am at Hillside Christian Church | 3508 NE 24th

9/18 - 9 am at Habitat for Humanity | 2700 S. Wilson

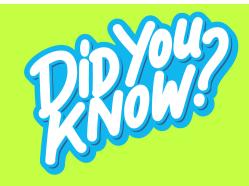
9/21 - 12:30 pm at The Place | 3107 Plains Blvd Space 500

Step two: Submit your completed application to 2700 S Wilson no later than Wednesday, October 11th, 2023 at 3 pm.



For assistance please contact: Sarah at (806) 383-3456 or sarah.curtis@amahfh.org





Globally, since 1976
Habitat for Humanity
has helped improve the
housing conditions for
over 39 MILLION
people!

Habitat families only

Join our homeowner facebook group!
You'll find the most up-to-date information about payments, parties, office updates & more
We also have the opportunity to win prizes bi-weekly!
www.facebook.com/amarillohabitathomeowners

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Quentin Munoz



Quentin began volunteering with Habitat for Humanity in January of this year. Although he is fairly new to our organization, Quentin has already completed over 195 hours of volunteering for our organization! Born and raised in Amarillo, Quentin graduated from Amarillo Collegiate Academy and currently works for Tractor Supply. A lover or riding motorcycles, exercise, and working hard no matter the task, Quentin's supervisor at work calls him the "human forklift". This characteristic has helped Quentin become a quick asset within our construction crew. Quentin states that his favorite things about volunteering for Habitat include hard work, meeting new people, learning new things and becoming more active in general. He hopes to pass along the knowledge he's gained to others and encourages anyone interested in the same values to volunteer with Habitat.

Interested in volunteering to help build a Habitat home?

Contact Christina Johnston at (806) 383-3456 or christina.johnston@amahfh.org www.amarillohabitat.org/jobsite-volunteer-1

Current Build





Our next homeowner, Pamela, (pictured above) is a single mother to three wonderful children. When she is not working, Pamela aims to be a positive addition to the lives of others around her by expanding her territory of volunteer work and through her strong belief in the Bible. Pamela has been with Habitat through the struggles of the Covid-19 pandemic and says that even with difficult times, she's been surrounded by a wonderful group of God-believers who have uplifted and stood by her family through their Habitat journey. Her heartfelt prayer is that those who are assisting the family and volunteer building their home receive double blessings for their efforts. Pamela finds solace in the serenity prayer, seeking the wisdom to distinguish between what can and can not be changed. Her goal is to have her Habitat home paid off within five years and to continue helping others in her same situation. Pamela states "Habitat for Humanity has illuminated my life and my children's lives, offering hope for families that follow us. As we move forward, the lyrics "ain't no stoppin' us now, we're on the move, ain't no stoppin' us now, we've got the groove" ring true, reflecting our determination to overcome obstacles and embrace positive change".

Big News!!!

Amarillo Habitat for Humanity is the ONLY non-profit in our area receiving a 2023
Chick-Fil-A True Inspiration Award. This is an incredible honor and we'd love to maximize this gift with your local votes. Follow the steps to the right and help us build affordable homes, right here in Amarillo.





- 1. Sign in to Chick-Fil-A App
- 2.Select "Rewards" at the bottom of screen
- 3.Select "News" at the top left of screen
- 4. Click "Vote Now"
- 5.Select "Southwest" region
- 6. Vote for Amarillo Habitat for Humanity!

