



Join Us as We Build a Better Future

This past year, we have witnessed a national pandemic that has caused an overwhelming loss of life and a nationwide economic crisis resulting in businesses closing, jobs lost, schools shut down, children at home, and mental health, drug use, suicide, and domestic violence rates rising. Plans for the future have been placed on hold as families struggle to get through another day. But Habitat Choptank continues to build new homes and repair existing homes in spite of these challenges because where we live, shapes our lives.



Pictured above is our first modular home in St Michaels and also pictured is one of the homebuyers in our program who is excited about one day owning this home. Only with the prayers, partnership, and support of volunteers can Habitat for Humanity Choptank work alongside local families as they strive to achieve homeownership or undertake emergency or necessary repairs on their homes.

And it is only with the commitment and dedication of our volunteers, that we can even hope to create a sense of connectedness and demonstrate a willingness to actively shape the community around us... for the better.

At Habitat Choptank, we offer many opportunities for volunteer service, one



of which is our Partnership Committee. The Partnership Committee meets monthly, currently via zoom, and serves as Ambassadors for Habitat Choptank's homebuyer program in the community. Members of this committee promote the program in their own circles of influence and when ready, mentor and coach a new homebuyer through the process of purchasing their home, providing moral support and guidance along the way. This

committee also helps to shape program policies and make recommendations for changes that ensure the program is meeting the needs of those it serves. If you are wondering how you can better serve your community or have a desire to make a difference in the lives of families in our community, we welcome you to consider joining our Partnership Committee. For more information, please contact Pat Ingram, our Client Services Manager, at 410-476-3204 or e-mail at program@habitatchoptank.org.

There are many opportunities to volunteer your time and talent at Habitat for Humanity Choptank. Outside of joining one of our volunteer committees, below are some other creative ways that you can support the mission of Habitat:

- Craft an item at home in your own space that Habitat Choptank can add to our Spring Auction. It could be a birdhouse, a doghouse, a dollhouse, a picnic table, whatever you enjoy crafting. Recently, Roy Smoot crafted a beautiful table which is on display and for sale at **Reclaimed** in St. Michaels.
- Rehab, refinish, and restore a piece of furniture that Habitat Choptank could add to our Spring auction to raise funds to support our mission.
- Donate items for resale to our ReStore located on Commerce Drive in Easton, the sales of which support our ability to build homes. Please remember that pick-ups and drop-offs must be scheduled by calling 410-820-6186.
- Make a tax-deductible contribution to support the mission of Habitat Choptank by clicking the donate button below.
- Add Habitat Choptank to your prayer list.
- Share this e-mail with a friend who is looking for ways to volunteer.

In this present time, we believe in creating opportunities for people to come together in spirit, in heart, in strength and in partnership to build healthy homes, create vibrant communities and reignite a hope for a better future. We welcome you to join us.

Sincerely,

JoAnn Hansen
Executive Director

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