

September 2023

Hard Hats & High Heels--Tickets are on Sale Now!

Tickets are on sale now for our second annual Hard Hats & High Heels! Don't miss this signature fundraising event on November 18th at 6pm at the Waterfowl Building in Easton!

It promises to be a fun evening of cocktails, heavy hors d'oeuvres, silent auction - and dancing! - all while supporting the building of homes, community, and hope in Dorchester and Talbot Counties. So mark your calendars!

Click this button to purchase tickets or a table for Hard Hats & High Heels!



Purchase Tickets for Hard Hats and High Heels

Volunteer Celebration

Our 2023 Volunteer Celebration and Annual Meeting was a hit!

Volunteers, Staff, and Board Members celebrated our FY23 volunteers and their service at Moton Park in Easton on September 19. They enjoyed a family picnic-style event with food, lawn games, and a pie baking contest!

At the Volunteer Celebration, Habitat Choptank recognized outstanding volunteers and organizations with the following awards:

Founders' Award George Dappert



Jeff Joseph, Board President and JoAnn Hansen, CEO present George Dappert with the Founders Award for serving Habitat Choptank above and beyond in time, talent, and treasure. Golden Hard Hat Award Thomas Ledvina

Golden Hammer Award Claude Maechling

ReStore Golden Dumbbell Award Philip Ferry

ReStore Golden Watering Can Award William Montague

Contractor of the Year Marasun Roofing

Business Partner of the Year Venture Title Company

15 Years of Service on StaffPat Ingram, Client Services Manager

5 Years of Service on StaffTara Felts, Director of Education & Housing Services
Jenny Schmidt, Chief Development Officer
Tracy Tracy, Chief Financial Officer



Jim Thomas, Construction Supervisor presents Claude Maechling with the Golden Hammer for his service on the construction sites.



Anne Davis, ReStore Manager awards William Montague with the Golden Watering Can for his service at the ReStore.



John Piposzar, Critical Home Repair Manager recognizes Marasun Roofing as Contractor of the Year.

Housing and Resource Fair

Habitat Choptank's Housing and Resource Fair was a success!

The Housing and Resource Fair took place on September 21 at St. Luke's UMC in Cambridge. It included community resources, educational workshops and demonstrations, and



a free lunch!

This event also featured several great vendors from the community! Thank you to Shore Legal Access, the Dorchester County Health Department, the Cambridge Police Department, Chesapeake College, the Chesapeake Multicultural Center, the Habitat Choptank ReStore, Maryland Legal Aid, Meals til Monday, Mid Shore Behavioral Health, One Mission, and the US Department of Agriculture for contributing to the success of the Housing and Resource Fair!



Homebuyer Highlights

Bonita's Home Dedication

Bonita moved into her home on August 26th! She joined the Wells Street neighborhood, which is becoming a beautiful and thriving community in Cambridge!

You can make homeownership possible for people like Bonita! When you join the Carpenter's Club, you can have a hand in every house we build without swinging a hammer! Click on this button to learn more about the Carpenter's Club.



Bonita smiles as she receives the keys to her new home from Scott Baynard, Construction Supervisor.

Carpenter's Club

ReStore Corner

Congratulations, William!

William Montague, a frequent ReStore volunteer, has won two gold medals in kayaking in the Maryland Special Olympics! When you see William at the ReStore, be sure to congratulate him on this awesome accomplishment!

Visit the ReStore to purchase a pair of handmade earrings!*

These house earrings will remind you that your purchase at the ReStore helps families in your community have a safe and affordable home. The chandelier earrings are made with repurposed materials available at the ReStore.



You can be the first to know about the ReStore's special promotions! Sign up for the ReStore's mailing list to learn more about sales, online auctions, and more!

*Earrings are available for a limited time, while supplies lasts.

Mailing List



"Habbi" Birthday!

Habitat Choptank wishes a "habbi" September birthday to...

Scott Baynard, Construction Supervisor on September 30!



Fall into Fall!

Linda, one of our homeowners on Wells Street has decorated her home for fall!

We love to see the beautiful ways that our homeowners make their homes their own!





upcoming events

Home Dedication 108

Join us for Tashina's Home Dedication on Friday, October 20 at 607 Wells Street in

Cambridge! The home dedication program will begin at 9:00 am. Please note that this home dedication is on a Friday instead of a Saturday.

Banking, Credit, and Money Management Workshop

Tuesday, October 24 at 5:30 pm

This 2-hour workshop at the Habitat Choptank affiliate office covers the different types of available bank accounts and how to make the most of banking options, using credit, how to identify and avoid predatory lending practices, and preventing identity theft.

Register on our Events Calendar!

World Habitat Day Block Party

Celebrate World Habitat Day at Habitat Choptank's block party at 310 South Street in Easton from 4:00 to 6:00 pm! Enjoy free food, music, and information on home repairs, native plants, and more! This event is free and open to the public!

Hard Hats & High Heels

Our 2nd annual Hard Hats and High Heels event will take place on Saturday, November 18 at the Waterfowl Building in Easton from 6:00 to 9:00 pm! This event will be a fun evening of cocktails, heavy hors d'oeuvres, silent auction, and dancing! Mark your calendars for an event that supports the building of homes, community, and hope in Talbot and Dorchester Counties! Purchase tickets here!

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