

**Building Community** 

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# A NOTE TO OUR SUPPORTERS FROM CEO, COLLEEN ROBINSON



Dear Friends and Supporters of Habitat Clallam,

As I reflect on my ten years at Habitat for Humanity of Clallam County, I am filled with both gratitude and anticipation. It has been an incredible journey, one marked by extraordinary progress, community partnerships, and the shared mission of providing safe, affordable housing to those in need. This year is especially meaningful as it marks both a milestone for me personally and a somber moment for the world; the passing of one of the greatest champions for affordable housing, Jimmy Carter.

It's hard to believe that it's been a decade since I first came to Habitat Clallam, nine in the role of CEO. In that time, our community has changed dramatically—none more so than in the realm of housing. When I first stepped into this role, the cost of a home was already rising, but nothing could have prepared us for the steep escalation we've seen in recent years. Prices in Clallam County have increased three-fold, creating an even more pressing need for affordable housing. While the challenge is daunting, it's one that we continue to face with hope and determination.

We've seen firsthand how the collective efforts of individuals, businesses, and local governments can come together to create something that will have a lasting impact. This year, we are embarking on the largest and most ambitious project in our history. Christened Lyons Landing, it's the development of over 40 homes, designed as workforce housing. Our project has already broken ground, thanks to the collective effort of our volunteers, staff, local businesses, and community partners.

It takes a village to build a village, and I am deeply grateful to each of you for being part of this effort. Whether you are a long-time volunteer, a donor, a partner, or someone who simply believes in the power of community, you are helping to build not just homes, but a stronger, more compassionate world. We are excited to do this work with all of you by our side.

Here's to another year of progress, hope, and community. Together, we will continue to make a difference, one home at a time.

With gratitude, excitement for the future, and in partnership,

Colleen R. Robinson, CEO

**Habitat Clallam** 

Habitat Clallam believes that together we can build strength, stability, and self-reliance through shelter



You may be helping someone like...

#### **MELISSA**

Born and raised in Port Angeles, Melissa is a single mom to a pre-teen son with special needs and a Substance Use Counselor in Sequim. As of January 2023, she was also a first-time homebuyer through Habitat Clallam.

Melissa became interested in the Habitat program to build a better life for her and her son. She understood that one of the best ways to do this was through a safe, stable home of their own.

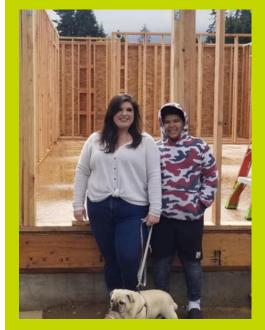
Their previous housing was subsidized but with a catch. The apartment was ADA-compliant and intended for people with physical disabilities. While her son did have disabilities, they weren't physical. Melissa had been warned that should a person requiring ADA housing due to physical constraints apply—she, her son, and Charlie, the pug would have to vacate. Knowing it could happen at any time, leaving her with limited options to secure new housing, especially in an expensive and highly competitive market, Melissa applied to Habitat Clallam's New Home Build program.

She was overjoyed when she was accepted. She and her son would soon be part of a Habitat neighborhood, filled with newly built, affordable homes.

Each time Melissa worked on the construction site to help build her house, she was excited to see the neighborhood was full of children around her son's age. It was a great opportunity for him to make friends nearby.

After completing numerous financial and homebuyer classes, plus hours of swinging a hammer and pushing a broom to meet the sweat equity requirements, Melissa and her son—along with Charlie—finally moved into their new home. Since then, Melissa has been decorating, including adding pieces she found at the Habitat Store, making their new house feel like a true home.









"I believe in the importance of community, connection, and support and am a living testimony of how these things can drastically improve someone's quality of life."

 Melissa, Wonderful Mom, Friend, Daughter, Neighbor, and Habitat Homeowner

# **Mission**

A world where everyone has a decent place to live.

# **Vision**

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

# **Values**

BUILD A BETTER FUTURE
We seek to build strength,
stability, and self-reliance
in everything we do.

MAKING COMMUNITY
We ensure there is a
place for everyone who
makes our community
whole.

SHOWING CARE
Our community's strength
comes from our ability to
show care to each other.

HANDS-ON We are not afraid to dig in, get dirty, and lift others up.

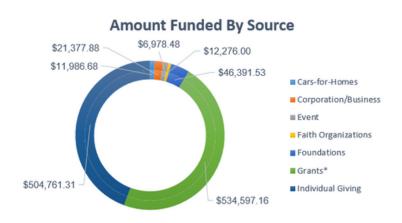
#### Why?

We believe in this mission because we have seen first-hand how affordable homeownership impacts families, children, and communities.

- Provide Stability through the permanence of homeownership
- Build Equity Wealth (and something tangible to pass on to children)
- Healthier, Safer Children who do better in school, have higher self-esteem, and feel more hopeful about their future
- Improved Communities Homeowners tend to be more active in their communities than renters and pay into the local tax base.

#### How?

## ODNATION FUND SOURCES



Total:	\$1,138,369.04	
Individual Giving	\$504,761.31	44%
Grants*	\$534,597.16	47%
Foundations	\$46,391.53	4%
Faith Organizations	\$6,978.48	1%
Event	\$12,276.00	1%
Corporation/Business	\$21,377.88	2%
Cars-for-Homes	\$11,986.68	1%



If you didn't get a chance to donate in 2024 or would like to donate again, scan the QR code to show your support in 2025!

#### 2024 STORE SALES & IMPACT

• Transactions: 15,319

Average Sale: \$41.50

Total Income: \$577,706.96

Drop-off Donations: 2,261

• Picked-up Donations: 626

Tons Kept Out of Landfill: 578

#### **VOLUNTEERS**

- 62 Volunteers donated just over
- 1,929 hours the equivalent of over
- \$64,602 in wages



## WHERE ARE YOU HAMMERIN' AT, HABITAT?



Our CURRENT PROJECT is a 4-plex in Port Angeles for Veterans and their family members. The 2bd/1ba homes include ADA-visitable layouts, for better accessibility. We expect all four homes in the Ketchum Cottages complex to be move-in ready this summer.

# Workforce Housing in Carlsborg

We're excited about our upcoming Workforce Housing project in Carlsborg. We're building 45 homes, helping local families in Clallam access stable, affordable housing. We just broke ground, so look for updates as we post them!



Lyons
Landing
Coming
Soon!

Rick Dickinson, Native American Housing Liaison

### Habitat Clallam's Special Project

Habitat Clallam is pleased to announce a new role — the Native American Housing Liaison. This position was initiated by Habitat for Humanity International (HFHI), in recognition of the need to better reach Native Americans seeking homeownership. They identified Clallam County, with five tribal communities (including the Hoh), as uniquely positioned to host this effort. Learnings from this pilot program will be shared across the HFHI network. Welcome, Rick!

#### Thank you to the following for your partnership & support in 2024!







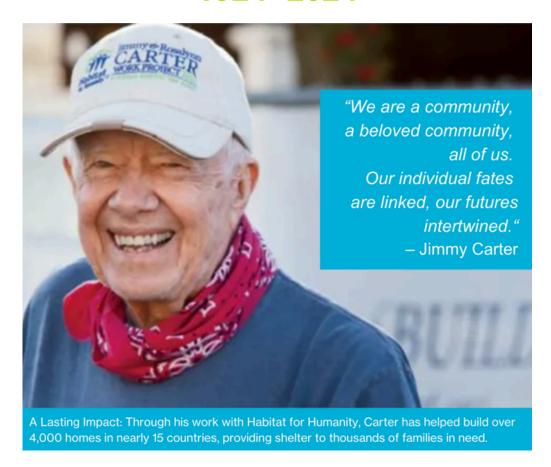


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#### 1924 - 2024



# This Annual Report is dedicated to the memory and exceptional legacy of Jimmy Carter

#### A Model of Humility and Service

In 1984, Carter and his wife, Rosalynn, teamed up with Habitat for Humanity founder Millard Fuller to help build homes for those who could not afford them. Carter's involvement was unique; not only was he a former president, but he became one of the most recognizable faces of the organization. His belief in the power of community—neighbors coming together to solve problems—resonated deeply with the core principles of Habitat for Humanity.

Through Habitat projects, Carter consistently emphasized the importance of equality. "We are all equal in God's eyes," he often said, echoing his long-held belief that no one should be left behind in the quest for a better life. His hands-on participation in Habitat builds wasn't just about providing physical labor; it was about showing that every person, regardless of background or circumstance, deserves the opportunity for safe, decent, and affordable housing.

Habitat Clallam is extremely proud to have Jimmy Carter as the face and spirit of our work.

No one who met him will ever forget him." – Former Port Angeles Mayor, Cherie Kidd, after meeting President Carter during her tenure in Atlanta, GA.