



**Habitat**  
for Humanity<sup>®</sup>  
of Elkhart County

**everyone**  
**deserves a decent place to live**

Annual Report July 2018 - June 2019

## message from our Executive Director and Board of Directors

As this annual report is being finalized our Habitat operations, along with the rest of the world, have largely come to a halt as we adjust to life during a pandemic. We have suspended our building programs, our partner family education meetings, and temporarily closed our ReStore retail operations as we do our part to protect the community and our staff. Yet in the midst of this current crisis we can reflect back on what we have accomplished this past year and look forward to resuming our vital work of bringing people together to build homes, community, and hope. Affordable housing is a critical need in our local community and the ubiquitous term that we have all experienced now of “shelter at home” has only reinforced the importance of having a safe and affordable home to shelter in. Our vision of showing God’s love by working towards everyone having a decent place to live will continue to guide all of our efforts as we look to the future.

This past year brought a number of significant positive developments with the arrival of our new President and Executive Director, Greg Conrad. Greg brought great passion for the mission and values of Habitat, many years in financial and executive leadership experience, years of local community board service, and a long family history in the Elkhart county region to the organization. We have broadened the diversity and size of our board of directors and experienced wonderful re-engagement with our local business and communities of faith. Due to the support of the local community through donations and more than a 20% increase in volunteer hours, we built another four homes which means that there are now over 200 families in Elkhart county living in a Habitat constructed home!

But we must do more! Nearly 1 in 6 US households are now devoting more than 50% of their income to housing. Deciding between shelter, food, health, or education is a choice far too many households must make every day in Elkhart county. The lack of affordable housing directly affects our local economy as businesses are unable to recruit and retain the needed workers as there is insufficient safe and affordable housing. We are committed to expanding our impact on our community through increased home building, expanded partner family educational programming, new home repair services, and increased advocacy for affordable housing. We are grateful for the support of the many businesses, churches, organizations, clubs, individuals, foundations, and local governments that work with us every year. Together we will build an even better community where everyone has a decent place to live.

**Greg Conrad** Executive Director  
**Sharon Hernandez** Board Chair  
**Braden McCormick** Past Board Chair



every house has as a story



## 2019 board of directors

Chair: Sharon Hernandez  
 Vice Chair: Michael Roose  
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 Past Chair: Braden McCormick  
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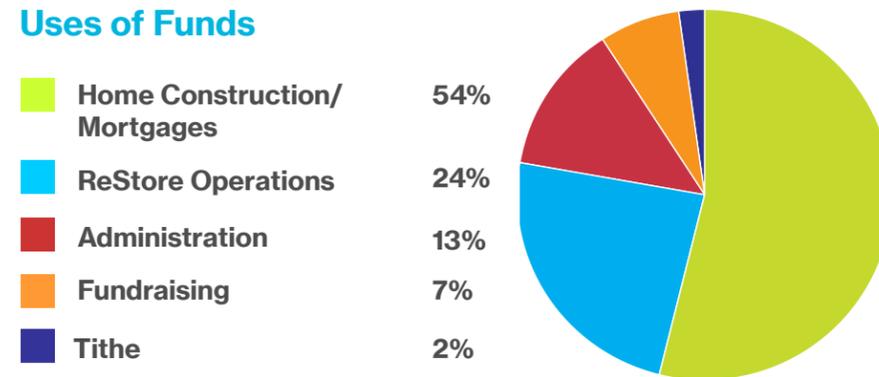
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 Kevin Park  
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## Resource Stewardship

### Sources of Funds



### Uses of Funds



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bringing the community together

- Completed our 204th house in December 2019
- Provided homes for 19 people in 2019
- 4 Habitat homeowners paid off mortgages
- 761 volunteers provided nearly 14,000 hours of service
- Homeowners paid over \$150,000 in property taxes
- Over 31,000 people shopped in the ReStore
- Over 100 businesses, churches and organizations contributed money, materials or volunteers.



every child needs a strong foundation





## our mission

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

## our vision

A world where everyone has a decent place to live.

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