

Habitat Homeowner Network

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Volunteer and Learn with Habitat

Habitat homeowners like you want to develop homeownership skills around home maintenance, financial management, and building community. Introducing **Volunteer and Learn with Habitat!**

Skill Build events will take place at build sites. There you'll have the chance to learn and practice skills like **painting, flooring, or finishing trim** alongside site supervisors. When possible, you'll be able to tour nearby completed Habitat homes and ask questions about maintenance challenges you might be experiencing.

Learn Together events will have more formal instruction that may be combined with volunteering. During April (National Volunteer Month), our ReStore Home Improvement Outlet in Minneapolis will host *Blooms and Beyond*, an event about preparing your yard for warmer weather. Other classes will teach you about basic home maintenance skills and dealing with Homeowners Associations.

Build Community events will facilitate connection with other homeowners to develop relationships to strengthen our communities. The next **Home Celebration** is scheduled for May 18 at Harrison Recreation Center in Minneapolis.



The *Volunteer and Learn with Habitat* program will help you develop the knowledge, skills, and access to achieve your homeownership goals.

Sign up for upcoming events through the monthly *Homeowner Newsletter* email or visit tchabitat.org/volunteer-and-learn.

A Habitat homeowner learns how to install flooring at a February *Volunteer & Learn Skill Build* event.



Share Your Story

Every homeowner has a valuable story to share. Sharing your homeownership experience inspires your community, provides awareness of homeownership, and helps more families buy homes. If you're interested in sharing your story, contact Jenny Sanford, Homeowner Engagement Manager: jenny.sanford@tchabitat.org.



America Saves Week

April 8–12 is *America Saves Week*. The national movement encourages people to create a plan to save for the future at a time when many people receive tax refunds.

Here are a few ways to join the movement:

- Open a savings account
- Set up automated savings
- Save for the unexpected
- Save for major milestones
- Pay down debt (that's savings!)
- Start saving at any age

Building saving habits is like any skill—hard at first, but becomes easier with practice. Make the *America Saves Week* pledge and join the movement to strengthen your skills.



Spring Home Celebration

Saturday, May 18, 2024

11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Harrison Recreation Center, Minneapolis

This open house-style event will feature family friendly games, crafts, music, photo booth, and lots more!

Visit tchabitat.org/celebrate for details.