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**A Look Back at 2020**

2020 was an interesting year full of new experiences for our Habitat Affiliate. We started off the year with the collapse of the Iron River ReStore roof in late January (hard to believe that was a year ago). It seems like no sooner then we had figured out how we were going to handle this issue then COVID-19 hit and we (and everyone else) had to figure out how to adjust our operations to living in a Pandemic. Even with COVID-19, we were able to help 16 families with repairs to their homes. More details on the repair program are on page 2.

**A Happy Family**

Although our build schedule was impacted by COVID-19 we were still able to finish a new construction house in Iron Mountain. Our partner family (Amanda) was in the house just before the Thanksgiving holiday. Her children were able to have Christmas in the new house! Thank you to everyone who helped on this build. Her home dedication will occur in late spring/early summer 2021.



Amanda is pictured receiving her house key from me on the day she closed on the house.

**New Tool Trailer**

Habitat received a grant from the Dickinson Area Community Foundation to purchase a 24' car hauler to be turned into a tool trailer. In the past we have stored construction materials either in a pile on the ground, exposed to the elements, or inside the house project (once the house is framed in). The trailer will have a secure and dry space to store construction materials. Due to COVID-19 manufacturing delays, we received the trailer in early January 2021. The Core Crew will spend most of the winter organizing their new space.



**Tool Box Needs**

**We are looking a few good volunteers!!**

**Board Members**—Our board has a few openings, and we are looking for people with any of these backgrounds: banker, business owner, retail experience or construction experience.

**ReStore Volunteers**—like to organize, clean, work with customers? The ReStore is the place for you!

**Construction Volunteers**—whether on our core crew (Mon/Wed 8:00 AM-noon) or for repairs (as needed) we are looking for those who want to swing a hammer to help our community.

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**SAVE THE DATE!!**

**“Raise the Roof” Golf Scramble**

**Friday June 4th, 2021**

**TimberStone Golf Course**

### 2020 Repairs—by the Numbers

	#	Veteran	Disabled	Cost
Critical Repair	7	2	3	\$46,044
Accessibility	4	2	4	\$3,428
Non Critical Repair	5	0	3	\$2,319
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>\$51,791</b>

For families served we are in the top 15 in US and 1st in MI (for small affiliates). This would not be possible without the support of this community. **THANK YOU!!**



#### Core Crew Construction Hours

Monday 8:00 AM—noon

Wednesday 8:00 AM—Noon

Please contact the office to join this fun, energetic, and essential Habitat volunteer group!

### ReStore Happenings

2020 was an interesting year for the ReStore due to the pandemic. We had to alter procedures to keep up with COVID-19 protocols. Even with all the required changes... the ReStore was still able to donate \$21,000 to the affiliate in 2020.

**Thank you to all who donated and/or shopped at the ReStore!**

The ReStore is in need of donations! Donations can be dropped off during Re-

Store hours, or call the ReStore at (906)774-2867 to discuss your donation.

**YOUR** contributions have an **enormous** positive impact on Habitat and the people whom we serve.

We invite you to visit, donate, buy from and volunteer with the Habitat ReStore in 2021!

#### ReStore hours:

10 AM—4 PM Tuesday—Friday and 10 AM—2 PM on Saturday.



### Volunteering... the Finance Committee!

Volunteers are the life blood of Habitat, and are essential for all that we do.

The Finance Committee has the responsibility of overseeing the health of the affiliate finances.

This committee meets monthly to review the cash flow, profit & loss statement, and balance sheet for both the affiliate and the ReStore. The committee then reports back their analysis to the Board of Directors.

The committee also reviews the results of our annual audit, performed by a third party.

During this pandemic, the committee has been meeting via zoom.

We are looking for additional members for the finance committee. If you have accounting or business experience and wish to become more involved with the nuts and bolts of our operation, please consider joining this committee.

Volunteers are also essential in the ReStore—the hours are flexible!

Our fundraising events would not be the same without volunteers! The Golf Committee has been instrumental in the success of the past two golf outings.

Please contact the office at 906-779-5377 or [hfh@habitatmr.com](mailto:hfh@habitatmr.com) if you have questions about volunteering for Habitat!

### Habitat for Humanity International and The Home Depot Foundation Equals Repair Corps!

The Home Depot Foundation has partnered with Habitat for Humanity International in a program called Repair Corps.

This program funds repairs for qualified Veterans needing critical repairs on their homes.

Our affiliate was approved for 2 Repair Corps projects in fiscal year 2021. One of the projects has been completed for a veteran with 6 children living in Iron River, MI.

The septic system failed for this family of 8. We partnered with DICSA to replace their

septic system in fall 2020. Pictured at right is the family on their new drain field.

If you are a Veteran homeowner who needs critical repairs, please contact the Habitat office for an Owner Occupied Repairs application.

