



Greeley-Weld

Habitat for Humanity®



2023 Annual Report

The Blessing Of Home Achieved For 13 Greeley-Weld Habitat Families In 2023



Over 220 families have reached their dreams of a safe, stable, and affordable home.



It is an exciting time for Greeley-Weld Habitat for Humanity and for the Weld County community we serve.

Greeley-Weld Habitat for Humanity's Hope Springs project, the largest Habitat for Humanity development in Colorado, broke ground on September 6th. Already, civil construction is more than 50 percent complete, with plans to start the first of the 174 Habitat homes in the Spring of 2024. Imagine the number of families who now walk through our doors and can get relief from the historically high cost of housing in Weld County!

Other exciting news this year is our Jefferson High School Construction Pathway students moved into a brand new Career Technical Education (CTE) building in east Greeley. This allowed District 6

and Aims Community College to open the Habitat Construction Program partnership opportunity to four additional area High Schools and transition our Construction Pathway program to a newly formed Construction/Electrical Career Technical Education (CTE) program. This program still boasts a hundred percent graduation rate this year, and students are gaining even more skills to provide diverse career opportunities for their futures.

Our newest community partner, Alquist 3D, thanks to the City of Greeley, the State of Colorado, and Aims Community College, who worked together to recruit Alquist 3D to bring its headquarters to Greeley, is providing additional excellent opportunities to our Construction Pathway students. Our students will earn 3D printing construction certificates in partnership with Aims Community College and will be the first students in Colorado to 3D print Habitat homes.

Thanks to a community partnership with Weld County, Roche Construction, and the Weld Community Foundation, another long-term Greeley-Weld Habitat dream came to fruition when we began constructing a brand-new Senior Center for the Hill N' Park community. The seniors and residents of Hill N' Park are beyond thrilled to see this new community asset become a reality after years of waiting.

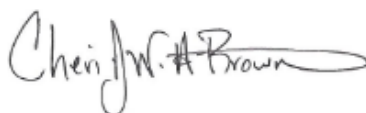
These are just a few examples of the 2023 Greeley-Weld Habitat initiatives you helped make possible to better the lives of those struggling in our community to find hope in the darkest situations.

Greeley-Weld Habitat for Humanity is grateful for a community of generous supporters, volunteers, and donors that provided unprecedented growth and opportunities for local families to earn a path to homeownership. Families, seniors, and residents with disabilities have found a proven pathway to strength, self-reliance, and stability through affordable homeownership in partnership with Greeley-Weld Habitat for Humanity. With your support, the momentum is steadily building and propelling our Habitat family partners into successful futures that will be transformative not just today but for generations.

Most of our family partners have persevered through tremendous odds to build a better life for their families. Families like Beth and Kemar and their five children were living in another family member's living room when they came to apply for a Habitat home. Kemar was commuting over an hour each way every day to work in Greeley. Long work hours left little time for Kemar to spend with his family. Time and love, it is said, is the most precious gift we can give our children, and we all know that to be true. We are thrilled that Beth and Kemar can give their children that additional quality time and are thriving in their new Habitat home in Greeley. Kemar now has a five-minute commute to work every day. Consider what their Habitat home has provided for this family. Their children can now enjoy time with their father and mother, playing, reading, working on homework, eating dinner, and attending church together. Their Habitat home literally took them from being on the brink of homelessness to thriving in a place of their own.

As we embark on a new year, we don't take lightly what our donors, volunteers, and supporters are investing in our work to end poverty housing in Weld County. Your investments in communities like Mission Springs and Hope Springs and families like Beth and Kemar are deeply valued and appreciated. We have seen and experienced that with God, all things are possible for our families and our community. You have created passages for our Habitat family partners filled with hope and tangible promises of accomplishing more than they could dream for their families' futures. For all this and more, on behalf of the Greeley-Weld Habitat for Humanity board, staff, and our families, we sincerely thank you for serving your community through your time and resources to create more equitable advancements for all.

With blessings and gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cheri Witt-Brown".

Cheri Witt-Brown
CEO, Greeley-Weld Habitat for Humanity

You've Helped To Build Lasting Change For Generations



Gonzales Family

Jonathon and Stephanie have been married for six years and have three children. Jonathon works at Northern Colorado Youth for Christ and is a mentor for Weld County's struggling youth, including some of our Jefferson students. Stephanie runs a small home daycare. The family is currently living in the basement of Stephanie's parents' house with the parents in one room and the three children sharing another. There is no emergency exit, and they have to use the kitchen upstairs. A few words used to describe Jonathon and/or Stephanie are hard-working, respected, respectful, beautiful, devout, gentle, dedicated, role model, provider, loving, responsible, able, cheerful, giving, willing, and impressive. The couple, despite having their hands full at home, dedicate a great deal of time to giving back to the local community.

For this family, the biggest change their Habitat home will bring is the ability to embrace the warmth of a new beginning. Jonathon said, *"Our family will discover a profound sense of joy and togetherness as we settle into our Habitat home. The walls resonate with the laughter of shared memories, and each room becomes a canvas for the chapters of our collective journey. In this haven, the blessing of a long, fulfilling life unfolds, weaving a tapestry of love, growth, and cherished moments."*

All our Habitat families build their homes alongside volunteers, members of our community, and with their new neighbors. When asked what his favorite memories were, Jonathon mentioned he cherished a few unforgettable memories from building his Habitat home.

"The first stands out when my wife and I, volunteering together, painted the top of our house—a moment of clear communication and connection as we embarked on a project meant to last a lifetime. The second memory involves the joy of family and friends joining us at Habitat to help build a neighbor's house, creating a sense of community for those in need and fostering a collective effort to shape a better future. The third enduring memory centers around reciprocating kindness, as we helped build our neighbor's house after they assisted in constructing ours. This experience epitomizes the essence of community building and the creation of lifelong friendships. In my view, society thrives when individuals embrace the spirit of being good Samaritans, extending a helping hand to strangers they've never met."

In his most recent memory, Jonathon mentioned he'd connected with Jefferson High School and their leadership class, guided by teacher Jenna. The students showcased their leadership skills at the Habitat site. Some students worked on scaffolding to build, while others were on the ground cleaning the site. *"What stood out to me the most was their remarkable leadership, communication, respect, and honor for their school, presenting themselves as future leaders. Witnessing Habitat employees taking them under their wing and imparting lessons of resilience, perseverance, and various life skills, was truly incredible."*



"The prospect that excites my family and me the most is finally having our own space to call home. Having moved numerous times during my childhood, the idea of a permanent residence is incredibly thrilling. As a husband and father, the opportunity to provide my wife and children with something I never had—a forever home—is what fills me with the utmost excitement."

Jonathon Gonzales



Habitat Volunteers Are The Best!

98%



of Habitat Homeowners observed a stable or positive impact on their children's performance in school since moving into their Habitat home.



Board & Advisory members Pictured: (Front Row) Suzie Espinoza, Bianca Fisher, Christine McDermott, Pat Califana
Board & Advisory members Pictured: (Back Row) Robert McCleave, Steve Baker, Tyler Richardson, Lindsey Galindo, Tommy Butler, Matt Wells, Ned Chapin
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In 2023 we had **2,454 volunteers** who worked **14,724 hours** which saved **\$463,806 in labor costs** to help lower the cost of our Habitat Homes! **THANK YOU!**



Trailblazing Partners - Building The Future



Maya Rodriguez-Salas, Construction Pathway Program Graduate, Leah Bornstein, Ph.D., CEO/President, Aims Community College

Greeley-Weld Habitat for Humanity is embarking on a new construction technology partnership with Alquist 3D which will bring affordable 3D-printed homes to the Hope Springs Project. This innovative community and new construction technology will greatly alleviate Colorado's housing shortage. Alquist 3D's mission is to create sustainable, resilient, and easily maintainable housing and infrastructure using 3D construction printing technology.

Furthermore, Alquist's partnership with the State of Colorado, the City of Greeley, Aims Community College, and Greeley-Weld Habitat for Humanity allows our Career & Technical Education (CTE) students to gain hands-on experience with this new technology and build Habitat homes for local families in need. The CTE program continues to offer the students both core curriculum requirements and college credits, with the goal of opening doors to high-paying careers in the construction industry. The use of this new 3D printing construction technology is an innovation-minded approach to solving Colorado's housing issues, shifting the narrative from problems to solutions. Groundbreaking initiatives like this bring multiple positive advancements to the community and provide fantastic opportunities for students like Maya Rodriguez-Salas. Maya will graduate from Aims Community College with her associate degree in Construction Management in May of 2024. In fact, Maya was offered a position at Alquist after sharing her story the day the company and the City of Greeley announced the relocation of Alquist's headquarters to Greeley.

This partnership is not just beneficial for students and the Habitat program, it also represents a positive step toward addressing Colorado's housing issues through innovation. The use of 3D construction printing and other new technologies will shift the narrative, and show that Colorado is taking an innovative approach to housing challenges. At Greeley-Weld Habitat for Humanity, we are excited about this partnership and the positive changes it will bring to our community.



Governor Jared Polis, U.S. Senator Michael Bennet, City of Greeley Mayor John Gates, Maya Rodriguez-Salas, Construction Pathway Program Graduate, Cheri Witt-Brown, CEO, Greeley-Weld Habitat for Humanity, Zack Mannheimer, Founder and Chairman, Alquist 3D



Alquist 3D Printing Robot

Hope Springs - A Dream Realized



Hope Springs December 2023

Hope Springs, a vacant greenfield property in Greeley and adjacent to the City of Evans is currently being transformed into a 174 Habitat Home Development. The project features an on-site childcare center, a state-of-the-art mini-pitch soccer field, and open space areas. The project is in close proximity to retail stores, restaurants, public transportation, and existing grocery stores, all within a five-minute walk. Furthermore, the new Greeley West IB High School is just a 10-minute drive away, and highly-rated schools such as Frontier Academy K-8, Dos Rios Elementary School, Brentwood Middle School, and Chappelow Arts Magnet K-8 School are conveniently located nearby.

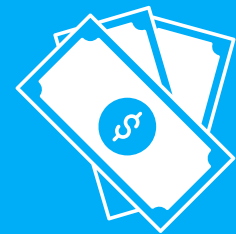
Greeley-Weld Habitat for Humanity has presented the Hope Springs community development model across the nation to other Habitat for Humanity affiliates seeking to significantly increase its capacity to deliver affordable housing communities in the US. Investors in the Hope Springs project include U.S. Senator Hickenlooper with a multi-million dollar CDS award, JBS USA \$2M; City of Greeley/DOLA \$1M; DOLA/CDOH \$3M; and OXY \$1M; to help fund the \$14M budget for the civil construction of Hope Springs. Another \$7M will need to be raised annually for the vertical construction of 50 homes for the next four years. Greeley-Weld Habitat for Humanity's development partner Richmark Companies who donated \$8,820M in land and water for the project to Greeley-Weld Habitat will build an additional 320 multi-family units, in phase two, creating over 491 housing units in the Hope Springs Community.

When fully developed, over \$100 million in land development and new construction will be reinvested in Weld County through the Hope Springs Project. Not only will it provide affordable housing to those in need, but it will also act as a catalyst for economic growth in the area. Alquist 3D, our newest Home Development Partner, is paving the way with new technologies to make Hope Springs more affordable with 3D-printed homes and infrastructure. Along with building homes in our development, Alquist is partnering with Aims Community College and Greeley-Weld Habitat to help the next generation learn the skills needed to advance into the new technology and boost career interest in the trades.

The Hope Springs Development is an excellent investment opportunity for our community, and Alquist 3D's contributions will help in our goal to alleviate Colorado's housing shortage while creating long-lasting economic benefits for the people of Weld County.



GWHFH Staff at Hope Springs Ground Breaking



\$100 Million

of land development and new construction dollars from Hope Springs will be reinvested in Greeley & Northern Colorado.

Hope Springs - Building Generational Change for 174 Families In Need

Thank you to our incredible
Hope Springs partners!

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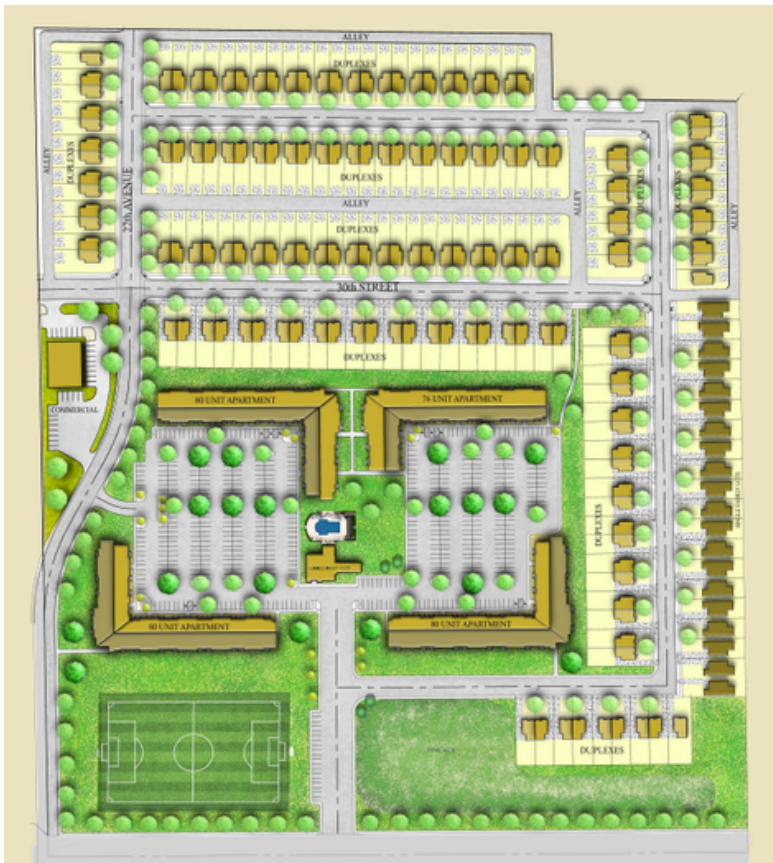
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Hope Springs Civil Construction to be complete in May 2024

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"There is nothing more important than a good, safe, secure home."

Rosalynn Carter

Hill N' Park Transformative Beginnings



Hill N' Park Ground Breaking

In partnership with Weld County and Roche Constructors, Greeley-Weld Habitat for Humanity worked to construct a new Senior Center for the residents of Hill N' Park, replacing the distressed old center. The project was managed by Greeley-Weld Habitat for Humanity, with Roche Constructors awarded the construction contract. The initiative was made possible through a grant from the Weld County Area Agency on Aging.

The seniors who use the Hill N' Park Senior Center couldn't be more thrilled. "It is like a dream come true," said Flo Jean Whitehead, Senior Center Board member. Sharon Strasser, another Board member, expressed, "I have prayed for this for a long time." The Hill N' Park Senior Center is an answer to their prayers and a dream that will come true for the seniors who will benefit from the new Senior Center.

"This project is a much-needed and long-awaited addition to the Hill-N-Park community," said Commissioner Scott James, coordinator for the Weld County Department of Human Services. "We are happy that this idea is finally becoming a reality."

Cheri Witt-Brown, CEO of Greeley-Weld Habitat, said, "Building the new Hill N' Park Senior Center will be a strong start to help bring crucial support to the neighborhood. Seniors will have a place to gather and fellowship with food, activities, and fun." The Hill N' Park Senior Center Board will also allow the Center to be used by other community residents. The Senior Center will be a community asset that is certain to be enjoyed by the seniors and community residents.

Hill-N-Park is a subdivision in unincorporated Weld County built from 1966 to 1973. Initially, residents were drawn to the opportunity to own the land under an affordable modular home, but with lapses in the economy, the residents of the subdivision have suffered and haven't had any chance of recovery. Many residents of Hill-N-Park are on disability and earn low incomes making it difficult to care for the neighborhood. With increases in taxes and water costs, it has become harder for Hill-N-Park residents to cover their payments while trying to pay for medications and necessities.

Today Hill N' Park residents need more amenities and services, which has become an overarching goal for their community. By Weld County Government, Greeley-Weld Habitat for Humanity, and Roche Constructors coming together to build a brand-new Senior Center for the community, they are taking the first step in accomplishing this important community goal.



Hill N' Park Ground Breaking

Building Impact Breakfast 2023



We are deeply humbled by the generosity of our community who have helped raise \$1,446,962 at our Annual Breakfast over the last 8 years for local deserving families!

Thank you to Coyote's Southwestern Grill for providing a delicious breakfast!



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Habitat Family Partner Ester Martinez

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Youth Up To Good

Construction/Electrical Pathway High School Program



State Senator Kevin Priola, State Senator Jeff Bridges, State Senator Byron Pelton, Construction Pathway Students, and Oxy Volunteers Evans, Mission Homestead

This innovative youth workforce trade program has been outstandingly successful and was the first of its kind partnership between a Habitat for Humanity affiliate and a local school district. The program has now evolved into the Construction/Electrical Pathway High School in partnership with District 6 Schools and Aims Community College.

The students work alongside industry partners, Habitat corporate/business volunteers, and other community partners while incorporating their core curriculum for graduation and earning dual college credit from Aims Community College. To date, the students have built onsite over 45 homes.





2,116 ReStore volunteers worked
12,696 total hours to help support
homebuilding projects that benefit
families in our community! Thank you!

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ReStore Message from Board Vice President Matt Wells

In the bustling city of Greeley, Colorado, there's a place that embodies the spirit of community, sustainability, and hope, the Greeley-Weld Habitat for Humanity ReStore. This unique self-sustaining nonprofit is more than just a store. It's a testament to the power of recycling, reusing, and reinvesting in our communities.

Consider this: every item donated, every purchase made, and every volunteer hour contributed is a step toward building a better world. The items sold at the ReStore are not just goods; they are pieces of a larger puzzle that, when put together, create a picture of a sustainable and compassionate community.

The work done by the ReStore reminds us of the words from the Book of Isaiah 58:12, "Your people will rebuild the ancient ruins and will raise up the age-old foundations; you will be called Repairer of Broken Walls, ReStorer of Streets with Dwellings."

The ReStore is not just restoring furniture or appliances; they are creating hope. They are creating opportunities for individuals to have a decent place to call home. They are ensuring that items that would otherwise end up in landfills are given a new lease on life.

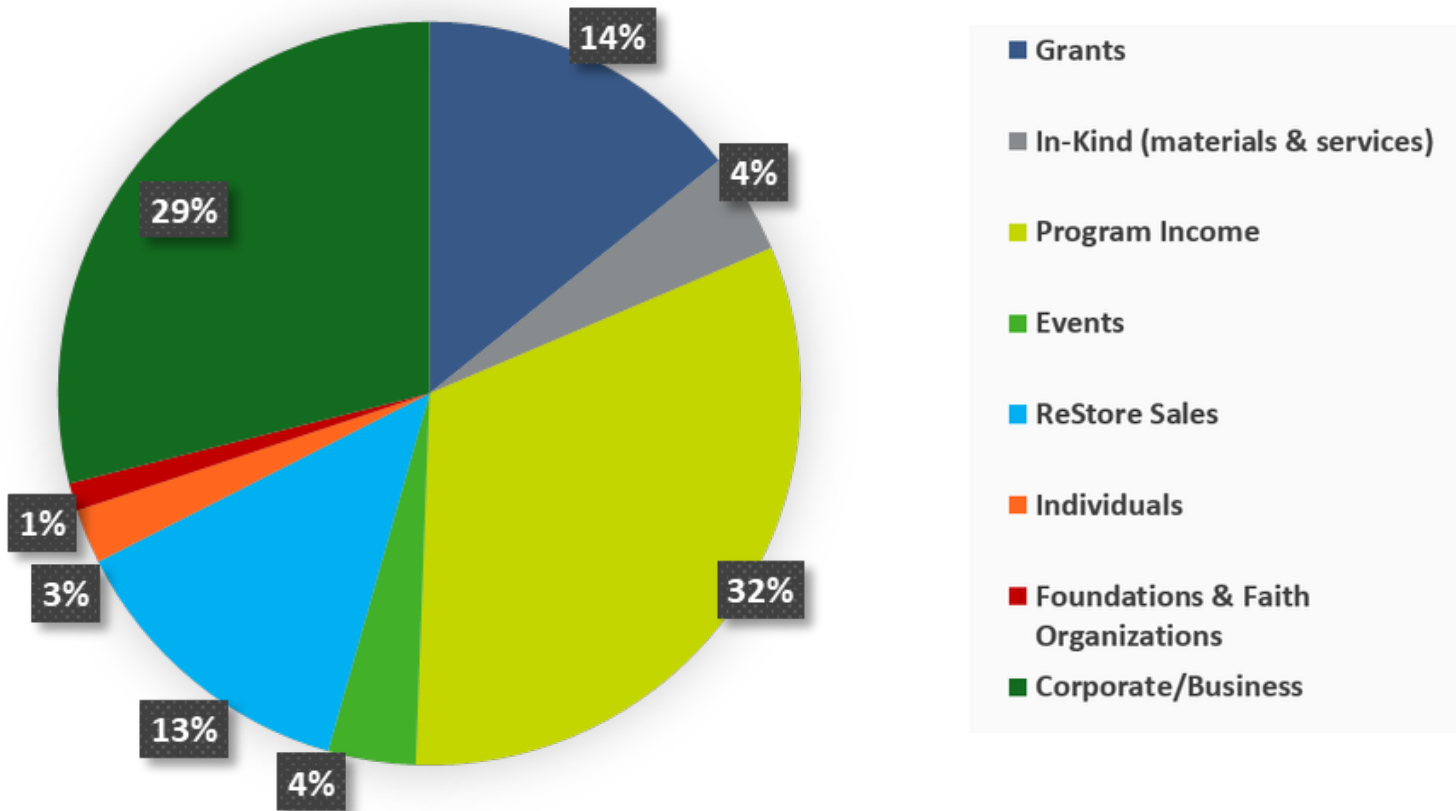
So, let's take a moment to appreciate, not only our ReStore but all of them across the country and world, that they strive to make our world a better place. Let's remember that we too can make a difference in our own ways. Whether it's through donating items we no longer need, volunteering our time, or making a purchase at the ReStore, we can contribute to building homes and hope in our communities. We can strive to be a "Repairer of Broken Walls, and ReStorer of Streets with Dwellings."

**The ReStore
helped divert
1,306,988 lbs.
of items out of landfills
in 2023 alone!**

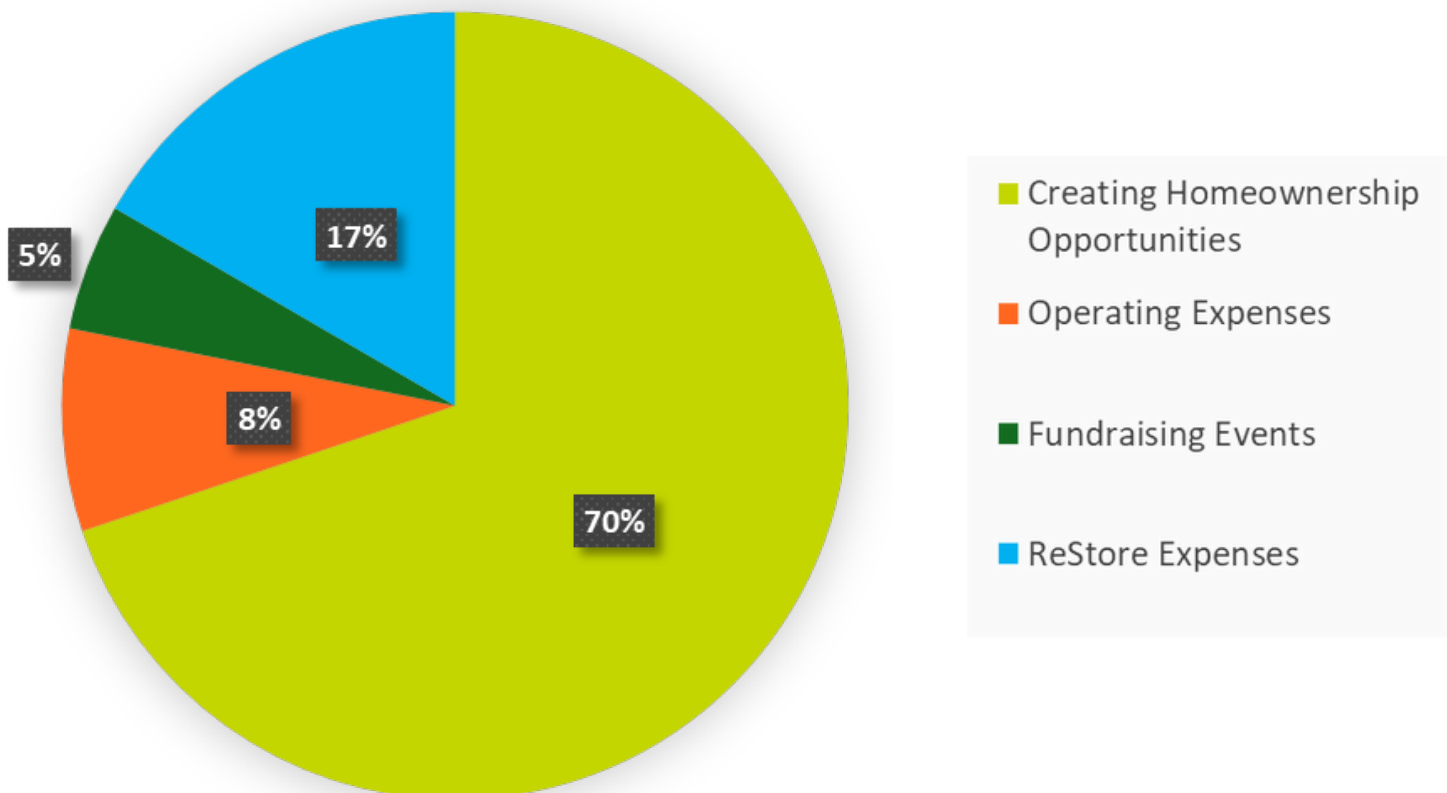


Your contributions mean even more families will be able to build a safe, affordable place to live.

Revenues



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