Habitat's Interim Mission in Action: Our Commitment During the Covid-19 Crisis

We are...

Finishing Almost Finished Homes

- Four families have moved into their new homes in Harmony Ridge since March
- Construction is moving forward on twelve new homes, six at Harmony Ridge, four on Nassau Street, and two on Huntley Avenue
- Our construction staff is practicing extra sanitation precautions and maintaining safe distance on our build sites

Redeploying Resources to Immediate Community Health and Housing Needs

- Through the Habitat Store, we are partnering with Cville Craft Aid to provide a distribution center for masks and mask kits. So far this partnership has produced more than 4,000 masks
- We are partnering with Meals on Wheels to make regular deliveries to local families
- We are utilizing our pipeline of relationships with more than 2,500 low-wealth neighbors to direct and deliver aid where it is needed most



Hashmatullah, his wife, and their three children moved into their Habitat home in late March. They live next door to the Coles.



Associate, Larry Scott, distributing grocery gift cards at a safe distance in March 2020



We are the type of people who run to the fire and stay through the hurricane



Sonam and Sima Lama and their children, who will move into their new home by the end of May.

Supporting Partner Family Homeowners and Southwood Community Members

Since March, Habitat has:

- Pledged zero evictions during the crisis
- Waived two months of rent and water bills for all Southwood residents
- Remained in contact with our partner families, over 750 households, to identify needs and connect families with resources to help with groceries, bills, transportation, and childcare

Supporting Partner Family Homebuyers and Applicants to our Program

 Habitat Family Services is working with 170 families to help them remain housed and complete their applications for our homeownership programs

Advocating

- We worked with Habitat International to recommend a congressional policy platform on effective housing measures during the crisis
- We joined a coalition of local housing agencies to support emergency funding for homeless services

Communicating

 We are conducting regular round table discussions with community members and Habitat leadership

Staying Grounded in Equity and Purpose

 We continue to help low-income families earn wealth through homeownership and address systematic patterns of inequity through appreciative and asset based community development

Shoring Up Our Foundations

- The Habitat Store has increased E-Store capability
- We are continuing land development in Southwood and the greater Charlotteville area
- We are increasing efforts in Louisa and Greene Counties to realize greater regional impact