



## Building Homes, Building Lives

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### Armstrong Habitat for Humanity is Building!

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A new house has begun to take shape at 518 North Grant Avenue in Kittanning. The house, which is being built for the Slagle family, is a three bedroom, two bath ranch-style home.

Tons of volunteers have been appearing to help us build the house. Some of whom are actual contractors donating their time to help out their community.

The house was built in pieces by three crews of volunteers: one crew built the floor; one, the walls, and the last, the roof. When each crew was finished, the house was assembled with a crane supplied by JR Crane

(Thanks tons!). The house was assembled thusly in two days.

Presently, about a week away from Christmas, almost all the drywall has been finished.

We're always looking for volunteers. After a small

break for the holidays, we will begin working week-ends again starting on January 9th and 10th. We work every Saturday (8am till 7pm) and Sunday (11am till 7pm). If you'd like to volunteer, please call 724.664.0094.



### AHFH Opening a Store in Kittanning

AHFH will be opening a ReStore downtown Kittanning at the old Sherwin Williams building on South Jefferson Street.

A ReStore sells surplus donated building supplies such as windows, lumber, tools, etc.

The ReStore will be run by AHFH and all proceeds

generated by the store will benefit local Habitat programs.

"We're hoping to open the store early in 2010," says Donnie Gutherie, Executive Director of AHFH. "We're all very excited."

Besides a store front, the acquisition of the building will provide AHFH with

space for meetings and an office open to the public.

If you have building supplies to donate to AHFH's new store, don't hesitate to call!



**Get a Free Day at Disney  
for Volunteering with  
AHFH!**

Yep, that's right! Starting January 1st, if you sign up at [DisneyParks.com](http://DisneyParks.com), you will receive a free pass for a Disney theme park just for volunteering a day for AHFH!



Mickey says grab your hammer! Mickey also says he's incredibly tolerant of non-profits using his copyrighted image. I hope...

Donate Today,  
Make a Difference  
Tomorrow!

**Armstrong Habitat for Humanity Needs  
Your Help!**

Armstrong Habitat for Humanity is looking for volunteers for our current project at 518 North Grant Avenue! Join us and learn the fundamentals of home construction and have a great time doing it!

If you have experience in construction, and you volunteer to help, you will probably be treated like visiting royalty. Be prepared for a crown and scepter. In fact, we may just pass out from gratitude. Bring smelling salts.

We work every Saturday (8am till 7pm) and Sunday (11am till 7pm). And we love new faces!

And tell your kids! Anyone over 16 can help in the build. Nothing looks better on a resume or college application than volunteer hours with a wonderful organization!



*Volunteers working into the night. No one wanted to leave!*

This is your chance to make a real difference in your community! All of your donation will go toward building and repairing poverty housing in Armstrong County. If you would like to donate—or volunteer—please fill out the Donation Form below and mail it to us. You can also donate using a credit card on our website, [www.armstronghfh.org](http://www.armstronghfh.org). Your donation is tax-deductible and you will receive a donation receipt in the mail.

***Please make checks payable to Armstrong Habitat for Humanity.***

*AHFH is always looking for volunteers! You could help people in our community receive a new home and learn basic building skills while doing it!*

**Donation Form**

- Please contact me for volunteer opportunities!
- Yes, I would like to donate!
- \$5     \$10     \$20
- \$50     \$100     \$200
- Other Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Things to know...

- AHFH board meetings take place on the last Monday of every month at St. John's Lutheran Church in Kittanning. Meetings are open, so feel free to attend!
- The Crooked Creek Triathlon will take place on Saturday, September 18, 2010. Please Check our website for updates.
- We're always looking for area churches to partner with us in eliminating poverty housing in Armstrong County. There are many things we could accomplish if we worked together!
- If you would like to be added to our mailing list, or if you know someone that would, give us a call (724.545.4905) or drop us an email (ahfh@live.com).
- Do you have any building supplies or tools laying around your house that you would like to get rid of? Give us a call and we might be able to take them off your hands!



*Clem Rosenberger and Tony Guzzo building a wall.*

## Our Community Supporters!

We'd be lost without donations. The following businesses and individuals donated money, materials, and/or time to our current build. We can't stress how important these donations are. The following businesses are doing their utmost to eliminate poverty housing in Armstrong County.

- Young's Interiors
- Whirlpool
- Kensington Windows
- JR Crane
- McDonalds
- King's Restaurants
- Gardas Restaurant
- Vocellis
- Nature's Blend Cabinetry
- Ferguson
- Bradigan's
- Rosenberger Electric
- Woodside Plumbing
- Paul Klukan
- Tim Burgerstock
- Walmart
- First Church of God
- St. Johns Lutheran Church
- Snyder Family
- Steiner and Steiner attorneys at law
- Livengood Lasers
- Grace Presbyterian
- Farmers and Merchants Bank of Western PA
- BNY Mellon
- Elderton Presbyterian Church
- Baker Family Charitable Fund
- Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund
- Armstrong County Community Foundation
- Richard G. Snyder Charitable Fund
- St. Luke's United Church of Christ
- Thrivent for Lutherans
- Steiner Travel Agency
- BMB Custom Homes
- Anthony Guzzo Construction
- BSA Venturing Crew 630
- Lions Club
- Bob and Nancy Snyder
- Bill & Bonnie Waltenbaugh
- Speedy's
- John Ramer
- Kittanning Foodland
- Silverstar Meats
- Raymond Kennedy of Storage Mobility (POD)
- Al & Kathy Kusenko
- Subway
- St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church
- Knights of Columbus
- Rose Close, Mike Luke, Joyce Hussion, Melissa Flanders, and Barb Klukan
- Bauer Funeral Home
- Paul Wingerter Tree Service
- Allan Loveless Tree Service
- Kittanning Borough and Borough Council
- John Crawford
- Stan Lunsford
- Creative Minds



## What is Habitat for Humanity?

Habitat for Humanity International is a non-profit, ecumenical Christian housing ministry. HFHI seeks to eliminate poverty housing and homelessness from the world and to make decent shelter a matter of conscience and action.

Habitat invites people of all backgrounds, races and religions to build houses together in partnership with families in need.

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## Volunteer MVP's

We love all our volunteers! The following is a list of volunteers who have donated at least three days of their time to the new house on North Grant. Thanks so much!

- Paul Klukan
- Barb Klukan
- Melissa Flanders
- Clem Rosenberger
- Keith Livengood
- Carl Bromley
- Jerry Cable
- Tom Close
- Brad Reddinger
- Joe Daniels
- Amos Woodside
- Michael Luke
- Kathy Knepshield
- Jimmy Edwards
- John Ramer
- Bonnie Waltenbaugh



*Paul Klukan, board member, the project's general contractor, and volunteer extraordinaire keeping an eye on things...*