



FY '24 Year in Review

July 1, 2023—June 30, 2024



Pikes Peak
Habitat
for Humanity®

Serving El Paso County, Colorado, since 1986



transforming lives, building community

Dear friends and supporters of Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity,

As we reflect on fiscal year '24, we're grateful for the lives Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity has been able to impact, thanks to you — your donations of funds and materials, your volunteer hours, your prayers, your creativity, your sharing of our stories, and your passion for our mission!

This has been a banner year for our Faith in Action program. We completed the eight-part “Bridgebuilding: An Interfaith Collaboration” video training series and companion workbook — Pikes Peak Habitat’s contribution to the White House’s Team Up bridgebuilding project. And we received second place — the silver prize — in the H.M. King Abdullah II U.N. World Interfaith Harmony Week international competition for our seven-day challenge, which included the “Who Is Your Neighbor?” interfaith dialogue. We are honored and humbled by this recognition and look forward to growing our faith program even more!

This year, we welcomed six local workforce families into their homes — five new constructions and one recycle (a home we originally built that was later returned to us and extensively renovated). This means 12 more children are growing up in stable homes and close-knit communities!

We also completed 77 home repairs focused on health, safety, and accessibility, including 43 through the Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing Community Aging in Place, Advancing Better Living for Elders (CAPABLE) program.

Our first ReStore location, South at 411 S. Wahsatch Ave., Colorado Springs, CO 80903, celebrated its 20th anniversary in January 2024. Combined with the ReStore Northeast, 6250 Tutt Blvd., Colorado Springs, CO 80923, we kept 2,291 tons of materials out of landfills, through sales and metal, paint, porcelain, and textile recycling. And the ReStores generated more than \$1 million in profits to support affordable homeownership here in El Paso County.

We couldn't do any of this work without your support. Our volunteers and donors are the lifeblood of this organization, and we — and the many families we partner with, both in El Paso County and around the world — remain incredibly thankful for you.

Eric Stolp, board president, and Kris Lewis, CEO

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Our Mission

Seeking to put God's love into action, Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities, and hope.

Jessica, 3rd Interfaith Build for Unity homeowner, and her son, Bryson, moved into their home in February. "It's amazing!" Jessica enthuses. "No greater things could be said."

In the following pages, we share more stories of the lives you've helped us impact in FY '24!

In FY '24, together we...

-  Completed construction on **5** new homes
-  Completed **1** recycled home (a home built by Pikes Peak Habitat that was returned to us and renovated in partnership with a new homeowner)
-  Completed **77** home repair projects
-  Partnered with **2,927** volunteers
-  Tithed **\$154,000** to global Habitat affiliates and funds, impacting **34** families internationally
-  Diverted **2,291** tons of materials from landfills through ReStore sales and recycling

Homeowner Services

Applications to the homeownership program: **90**

Average applicant income: **\$49,477**,
or **53%** of area median income (AMI)

Families selected: **10**

Individuals served (including those who will close
in FY '25): **32**, including **19** children

Amount reinvested in the community through
homeowners' property taxes: **\$215,817**

In 2023, the average cost for a two-bedroom rental in
El Paso County was **\$1,484/mo**, requiring a salary of
\$59,360/yr (\$28.54/hr). That's more than **2.1** full-time
jobs at minimum wage of \$13.65/hr!



Tonya (above)
Future Homeowner

"This house, becoming a homeowner, it really
breaks the generational curse. It puts the seed in
[my kids] to want to do the same."



Karmen (left)
Homeowner since July 2023
U.S. Army Veteran

"The boys love it! We love the neighbor-
hood and the people in it, and them
having their own rooms.
I love the garage for my car and I love
the backyard."



Liz (above)
Key Volunteer, Construction
U.S. Air Force Veteran

"About half the time I get to
work with the homeowner,
which is really fun because
then you get to see them on
dedication day and you
remember. It's nice! It's a lot
more personal that way.

Every week is just hanging out
with your friends, doing
something good together."

Gary Blake (right)
Construction Supervisor

"Come see what we build. Come
feel the community that we have
created.

I can honestly say since I've started
here, I've never built a house. I've
only built a home."



Average cost to build a new home: **\$300,000**

Average cost after donations of supplies and labor: **\$190,000**

1,665 volunteers worked more than **23,000** hours on the construction
site, equaling **12** full-time employees

New homes are Energy Star rated and feature waterwise landscaping

Construction



**Jim, Gary, Randy (above, from left)
Home Repair Volunteers**

"I'm probably most proud of a couple of decks that we rebuilt that were rotted and falling apart that looked really nice when we were done. They went from being tripping hazards and falling hazards to being nice recreational places." **-Jim**

"I like the repair program because you never know what you're going to run into working on older homes. And it's nice to meet the people and hear their stories, too." **-Gary**

"I like being exposed to different opportunities, different ways to repair things. It's really nice helping people to be able to stay in their homes and age in place." **-Randy**



Average repair cost: **\$3,952**

Average cost for CAPABLE repair: **\$1,526**

Average cost for critical repair: **\$10,498**

Average cost for preservation repair: **\$2,616**

Households served that include a veteran: **9**

Households served with residents over age 65: **30**

The oldest home repaired was built in **1899**

Home Repair Program

43 repairs through the Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing Community Aging in Place, Advancing Better Living for Elders (CAPABLE) program

19 critical repairs (more than \$5,000)

15 preservation repairs (less than \$5,000)



**Bob and Betty (above)
Home Repair Homeowners (photos below)**

Married 62 years

3 sons, 10 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren

"It's just a beautiful door, beautiful shower, and the chair lift is such a good thing.

It's been such a blessing. We'd have never had any of that had it not been for Habitat coming over and doing that."



Faith in Action

Apostles Build

146 volunteers, 727 hours

CityServe Day

41 volunteers, 122 hours

Interfaith Build for Unity

107 volunteers, 541 hours



Chelsea Walker (left)
Discipleship Director
Peak City Church

“Knowing that there are multiple churches [and] we can not only hear what God’s doing in their churches but also partner with them, it’s kind of like a piece of heaven on earth.”



Cheryl Mahon (above)
Coordinator of Lay Ministries
First Lutheran Church

“Rents are so insanely expensive, and I think homeownership is a dream for people like [my son] with a college degree and a full-time job. It feels futile to him. How does it feel to a single mom trying to raise a family? You can’t even wrap your head around that, so [the Apostles Build is] one little way to help.”

Pikes Peak Habitat was honored with **second place** in the H.M. King Abdullah II U.N. World Interfaith Harmony Week competition.

92 people representing at least **13** belief systems participated in the Interfaith Dialogue.



Al Hassebrock (above)
Volunteer
First Lutheran Church

“The site managers plainly know their stuff like the back of their hands and give clear instructions.

On one of the builds, the site manager there said when Hurricane Andrew went through Florida, Habitat houses were still there. Three nails in a board—the number of nails in every board that’s done, and then that house is rock solid.”



Sandra Walking Eagle (left)
Interfaith Build for Unity subcommittee
Lakota tradition

“My mother was Veronica Walking Eagle, and my grandparents were Felix and Elizabeth Walking Eagle. They were enrolled in the Rosebud Sioux tribe, and so am I.

The main goal is to help build these houses for those that need it and to lift people up. There is no spiritual rule against that in any spirituality I know of, so you just come with an open heart.”



ReStores

ReStores received **28,286** donations

ReStore net profits, supporting homeownership for workforce families in El Paso County, totaled **\$1,091,612**

Textile recycling launched

ReStore South celebrated its **20th** anniversary in January 2024



ReStore Northeast (est. 2021)

39 tons of metal recycled

769 tons of materials diverted from landfills due to sales

2,577 gallons of paint recycled

\$271,645 net profit

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128

El Paso County homes built over the past 20 years with proceeds from the Pikes Peak Habitat ReStores

ReStore South (est. 2004)

106 tons of metal recycled

1,455 tons of materials diverted from landfills due to sales

3,343 gallons of paint recycled

\$819,967 net profit

Recycling Totals

546 yards of cardboard

5,920 gallons of paint

145 tons of metal

76 tons of porcelain



Volunteers

ReStore Northeast:
417 volunteers worked
8,084 hrs, equal to
4 full-time employees

ReStore South:
999 volunteers worked
16,855 hrs, equal to
8 full-time employees



Tim Trowbridge (left)

**Pikes Peak Habitat board member and advocacy committee chair
3rd George Hammond Award winner**

“This year we were able to take one of our homeowners with us [to Habitat on the Hill in Washington, D.C.], and that’s always fabulous, because that’s who [officials] want to hear from.

They’ve all been very receptive to the message, ... very nice people, very generous with their time.”

Advocacy

FY '24 Progress Toward Our Three-Year Strategic Plan

July 2022-June 2025

- **Increase the number of families served:** 77 home repairs completed; 6 families moved into their Pikes Peak Habitat homes
- **Strengthen and expand donor relations:** Added Planned Giving Officer and hosted 8 corporate volunteer Adopt-A-Days
- **Grow capacity to serve the most vulnerable globally and serve local families. Stabilize annual home construction in El Paso County to build 7-8 homes per year:** Tithed \$154,000 to global Habitat affiliates and funds, serving 34 families internationally. Closed on 6 homes in El Paso County, with 9 slated for FY '25
- **Strengthen and expand advocacy:** Pikes Peak Habitat representatives attended Habitat on the Hill (Washington, D.C.) with a homeowner and met with officials at Coffee at the Capitol (Denver)
- **Grow our organizational capacity:** A community partnership will enable us to build 41 more homes



A survey of Pikes Peak Habitat homeowners found that...

- 88% felt more stable in their living situation
- 82% reported better financial security
- 77% felt better about their children's futures
- 66% felt that they spend more time as a family
- 64% felt less stressed
- 58% felt better about their job prospects



Scan the QR code to see full results!

Ashley Peacock (above left)

Master of Public Administration student at University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, and survey administrator

“There’s kind of a cascading effect when you’re facing housing instability. It’s one thing after another, like a Jenga tower. So seeing the responses from the homeowners who felt so much gratitude for having that stability that echoed into other parts of their life—they said their children felt more comfortable and relaxed; the children knew their parents had less anxiety. And so you see the ripple effect.”

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