

Neighborhood Revitalization Programs include:

“Critical Home Repair”: Extensive interior and exterior work performed to alleviate critical health, life and safety issues or code violations. This may include siding and trim repair or replacement, roof repair, floor or wall repair or repairs to plumbing, mechanical or electrical systems on an existing home for the purpose of alleviating critical health, life and safety issues.

“Weatherization”: Systematic repairs to an existing home based on a comprehensive energy audit, designed to improve the energy efficiency and overall indoor air quality and comfort.

“A Brush With Kindness”: Exterior work that includes painting, patching, minor repair, landscaping or replacement of materials for the purpose of maintaining good or sound condition of home.



We are pledged to the letter and spirit of the U.S. policy for the achievement of equal housing opportunity through the nation.

We encourage and support an affirmative advertising and marketing program in which there are no barriers to obtaining housing because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, family status or national origin.



Greater Fox Cities Area Habitat for Humanity was founded in 1993 by dedicated volunteers. We partner with qualifying, low-income families in substandard living conditions to work together to build safe, decent and affordable housing.

To apply for one of our programs or for further information contact:

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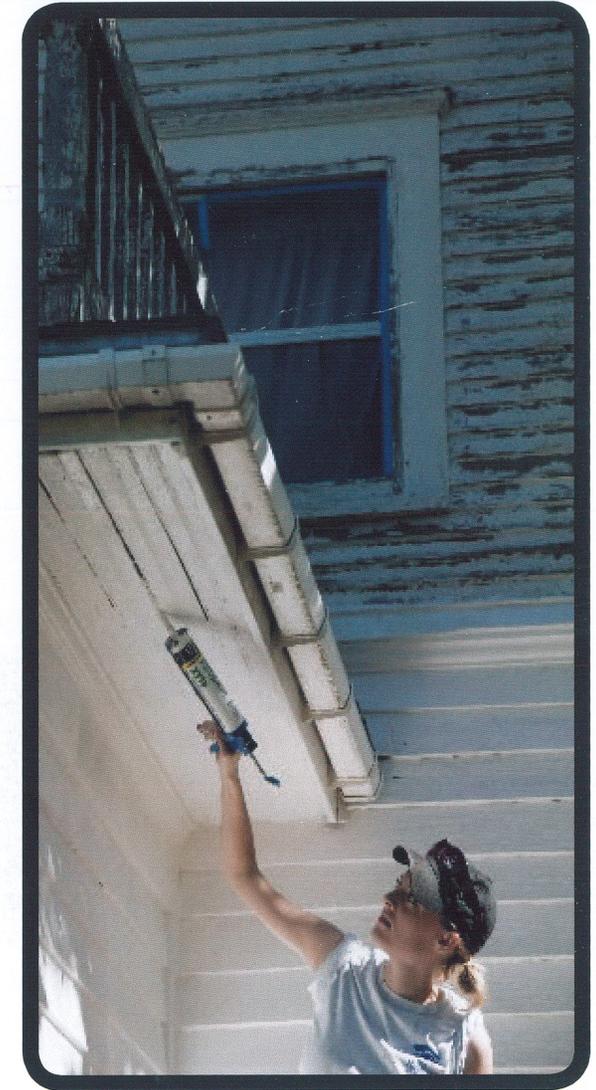
Our vision is to become a contributing partner to the neighborhood through collaborating with organizations who share our hopes of transforming lives, one home at a time.



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Revitalizing neighborhoods through empowerment and partnerships

What is Habitat's Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative?

When *basic expenses exceed income* month after month, home maintenance is the usual casualty. Years of deferred maintenance can cause an unfortunate cycle of *home deterioration* and *unsafe living conditions*.

Habitat's Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative *expands current services* to include existing homeowners, preserving home ownership by partnering to aid those struggling to restore and *maintain a safe and decent place to live*.

Alongside our core mission of putting families into *safe, affordable, decent homes*, this initiative allows us to serve *low-income residents* of a target community who *already own their homes*.

We leverage Habitat's extensive network of *dedicated volunteers* to make critical home repairs, weatherization upgrades, or façade improvements that will bolster the *quality of life* of the homeowner and the *entire neighborhood*.

How are families selected?

As with Habitat for Humanity's home ownership program, qualified applicants must demonstrate a **need** as a homeowner, the **ability to pay** and a **willingness to partner** with Habitat for Humanity by providing their own labor to work with Habitat's staff and volunteers. The homeowner will pay for the repairs through monthly payments on a no-interest loan.

Need: The current physical dwelling is inadequate; the family and/or friends are unable to readily repair deficiencies; the family is unable to obtain a conventional loan.

For the physical dwelling to be inadequate, housing conditions have health, life and safety issues such as:

- Insufficient insulation or air seaming
- Poor indoor air quality
- Inadequate plumbing, electrical or heating systems
- Structural issues with windows, doors, foundation, roof, etc.
- Damaged or missing siding, trim or paint

An estimated 21,600 people live in poverty in the Fox Cities

Ability to Pay: The family's income must be at least 30% and no more than 60% of the County Median Income; have manageable debt; good payment history and no recent bankruptcy, liens or judgements.

Income Guidelines

Family Size	Minimum	Maximum
1	\$15,300	\$30,600
2	\$17,450	\$34,900
3	\$19,650	\$39,300
4	\$21,800	\$43,600
5	\$23,550	\$47,100
6	\$25,300	\$50,600
7	\$27,050	\$54,100
8	\$28,800	\$57,600

Willingness to Partner:

The family must be eager to participate in the program, willing to commit the time necessary and understand the program and its requirements. Each family must complete Habitat facilitated educational workshops as a part of sweat equity requirements:

Workshops Include:

- New Family Training
- Budget & Credit Analysis
- Repayment Agreement
- Post Project Homeowner Walk Through

In the Fox Cities, one third of residents pay more than 30% of their income on housing