



## Habitat for Humanity of Greater Memphis Fact Sheet

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Memphis is an ecumenical Christian housing ministry dedicated to eliminating poverty housing from Memphis and surrounding areas, while making decent, affordable shelter for all of God's people a matter of conscience and action.

### *Habitat for Humanity of Greater Memphis:*

- Opened for business in 1983.
- Has built 336 homes in partnership with families in need.
- Receives support from individuals, businesses, community groups and faith-based organizations that provide the tax-deductible donations of money, land and materials to make the work possible.
- Builds *alongside* those who demonstrate a willingness to partner with Habitat. Partner families make a \$1,000 down payment, invest 350 hours of "sweat equity" labor into the homes and attend 15 weeks of financial and basic home maintenance training classes. Their monthly payments on a no-interest, no-profit mortgage go into a revolving Fund for Humanity which helps pay for the construction of more Habitat homes and daily operating expenses.
- Functions as its own independent 501(c)(3) organization and does all of its own fundraising.

### *Fall Build Facts:*

- Habitat will construct five new sponsor-built homes by the end of October..
- All of the homes will be located in the Trinity Park neighborhood. Habitat for Humanity of Greater Memphis is embarking on our largest endeavor yet in building Trinity Park. The 38-home community will be located in the Oakhaven Neighborhood on East Oak Side Drive, just south of Memphis International Airport. Habitat's development team consisting of Smith-Western Consulting, The Pickering Firm and Looney, Ricks, Kiss Architects, Inc. has designed the community to blend with the existing neighborhood and to include sustainable enhancements such as landscaped green space, tree-lined pedestrian walkways, and a centrally located resource center. Each home will be built to green standards and will meet MGLW's EcoBUILD requirements, resulting in a 33 percent energy savings. All homes will be accessible by wheelchair and fully handicap accessible homes will be built for families with demonstrated needs.
- A full home sponsorship is \$70,000. Other sponsorship levels are as follows: \$35,000, \$17,000, \$9,000, \$5,000 and \$3,000. Volunteer slots are assigned according to sponsorship level.
- FedEx, ServiceMaster and Delta Air Lines are sponsoring full homes this fall.

For more information about Habitat for Humanity of Greater Memphis, please contact Jessica Neal, director of sponsorship and community relations, at 761.4771, ext. 215 or visit [www.memphishabitat.com](http://www.memphishabitat.com).