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2024 Factsheet

- Palouse Habitat for Humanity (Palouse Habitat) is a non-profit 501 (C) 3 affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International (Habitat International). It was formed in 1992 to serve Latah & Whitman counties.
- Habitat International is a non-profit nondenominational Christian housing ministry, founded in 1976, whose purpose is to put God's love into action, bringing people from all walks of life together, no matter their religious views, to build homes, communities, and hope. Over 59 million people have been helped by Habitat housing programs globally. Locally, 428 individuals have benefitted from our home build and home repair programs.
- Palouse Habitat has built 23 homes: Albion (1), Colfax (1), Genesee (3), Moscow (5), Palouse (5), Potlatch (2), Pullman (2), and Uniontown (4). The 2024 home will be in Moscow, ID.
- Unless designated "for local use," Palouse Habitat tithes 10% of donations and income to Habitat International to for home building and disaster response. Our tithe has built 66 homes overseas.
- Habitat is a hand up, not a handout. Homeowners are selected based on need, ability to purchase the home, and willingness to put in 300 hours helping build the home ("sweat equity"), and other financial criteria. Habitat follows federal fair housing law, serving individuals regardless of their faith, ethnicity, age etc. The homeowner buys the home for an affordable, income-based mortgage, and the mortgage payments help build the next home.
- A typical Habitat home is 1200 square foot with 3 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms. The next home will cost \$190,000 for Palouse Habitat to build. Habitat homes are built with energy star standards and accessibility in mind. They can be modified to fit the future homeowner's household size and needs. Volunteer labor keeps Habitat homes affordable. Typically, 200 community members volunteer 3000 hours to build each home.
- Unless materials and land are donated, Palouse Habitat purchases building materials with gifts from local donors, fundraisers, ReStore sales, and monthly mortgage payments from current homeowners. Our largest fundraiser is Beans 'n' Jeans, a dinner and auction which raised \$154,765 last year.
- Funds donated to Palouse Habitat support the Palouse area economy. Last year, Palouse Habitat spent \$657,326 on local businesses. Habitat homeowners pay taxes like any other homeowner, supporting local schools and government.
- The Palouse Habitat Home Repair Program helps low-income homeowners with simple repairs and improvements. We focus on accessibility modifications including ramps, steps, handrails, etc. Since we launched the program in 2013, we've completed 218 projects that have served 364 individuals around the Palouse.
- Palouse Habitat operates the ReStore, a volunteer-staffed thrift store in Moscow which sells donated home improvement and décor materials. Anyone can shop or donate, and proceeds help build Habitat homes. In 2023, we completed 11,219 individual sales, grossed \$262,776, and kept 341,609 pounds of material out of the landfill. That's almost the same weight as two Habitat homes! New volunteers are welcome!