



Monadnock Habitat for Humanity

Myths vs. Truths

The Truth Behind the Builds: Debunking Habitat Myths

✗ Myth	✓ Truth
Habitat gives away free homes.	Families <i>buy</i> their homes with affordable mortgages + sweat equity at a 0% interest rate.
Local affiliates are funded by Habitat International.	Each affiliate fundraises independently – donations stay local if you give to our affiliate.
You need construction skills to volunteer.	We rely on volunteers to do so much more than just help with builds.
Habitat is only for unemployed or homeless people.	Most homeowners work full-time in essential jobs.
Habitat only builds new homes.	Habitat helps with critical home repairs, not just new builds.
Marketplace is only for low-income families.	Anyone can shop or donate – and support affordable housing through purchases at Marketplace.
Families don't pay for their homes.	Habitat families purchase their homes. The total cost is kept low through volunteer labor and donations, and we ensure each family can sustainably afford their monthly payments—including property taxes and insurance.
Habitat only helps overseas.	We build in 70+ countries worldwide and right here in the Monadnock region.
Habitat is a church group for Christians only.	We welcome and serve <i>all people</i> , regardless of faith.



From the Ground Up: More Facts About Habitat

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Habitat homes can be flipped for profit.	Resale restrictions keep homes affordable.
Habitat gets government funding.	None, most homes are funded by private donors, in-kind donations, and Marketplace sales.
You can apply anytime to be a Partner Family	Homeowner applications are accepted during limited windows when a build is approaching.
One volunteer doesn't make a difference.	Every hand helps – seriously.
Donations to Habitat International support local builds.	To help here, donate directly to <i>Monadnock Habitat</i> or we will <i>NOT</i> get your funds!
Habitat is just a charity.	It's a community investment with long-term impact.
Marketplace doesn't take used goods.	Although selective we do take kitchen cabinets, fixtures, doors, windows and more.
The process is quick and easy.	Homeowners start financial training as soon as they qualify and work on their build site from groundbreaking through move in day
One to two builds a year doesn't make a difference.	Every Habitat home changes a family's life forever. Each build creates lasting stability, generational impact, and a ripple effect of hope and opportunity across our community.

Want to build more than just homes?

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