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of Eastern Connecticut



every one

deserves a decent place to live.

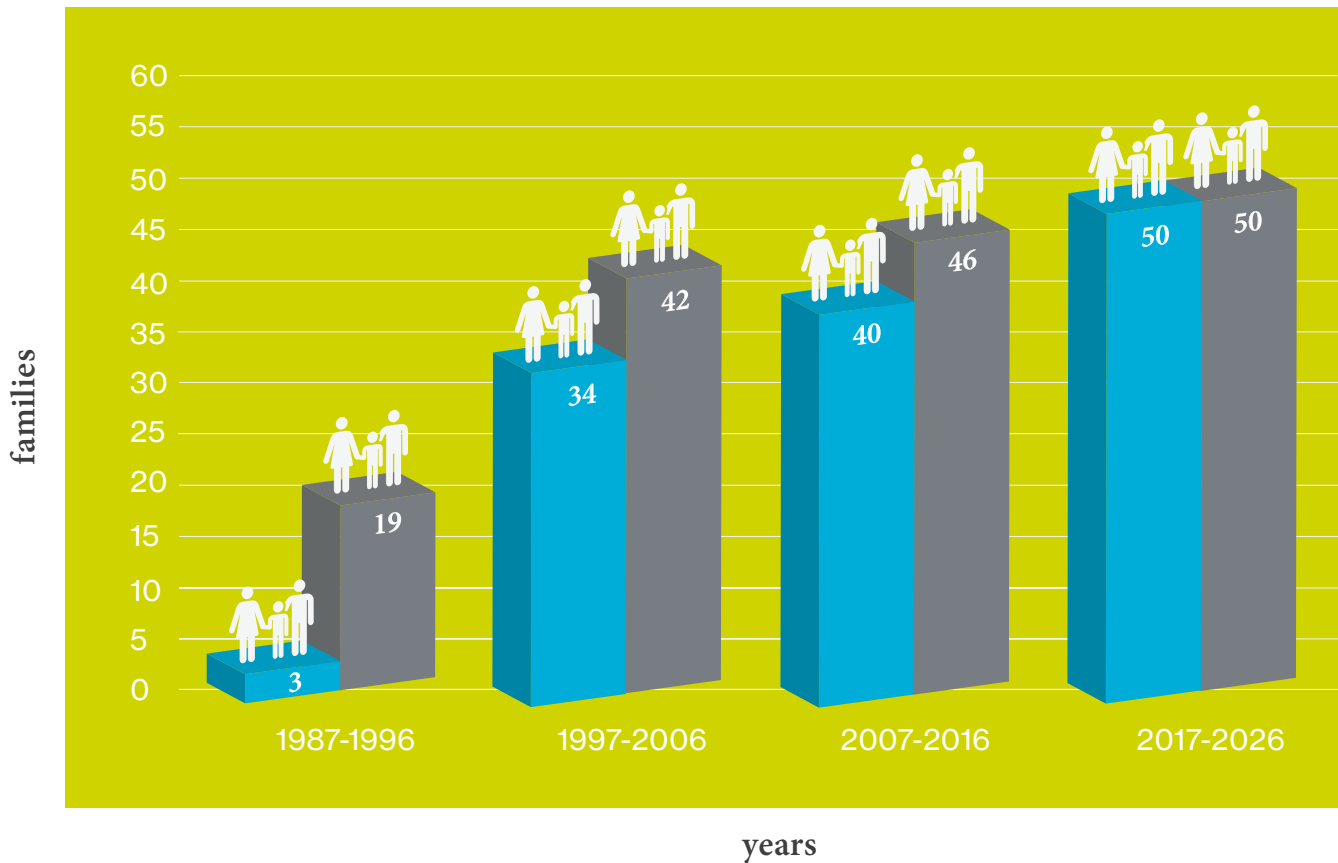
fall 2017

30 Years



our families

■ Local
■ Tithe



you matter

"I'm a lot more grateful.

I'm a lot more willing to help someone else and to do some volunteer work and to help an organization because I feel so grateful that so many people helped me."

- Sonia Wood, Homeowner

"It's made a huge difference in our lives.

I have 3 children and 2 of them are now in college. It's definitely helped them feel more secure and have a place to call home."

- Sally Bondy, Homeowner

"God can work miracles if you only believe"

- Lois Rogers, First local homeowner

our future

with your help

Community Building

Property is in the process of being secured in Ledyard that is large enough to create 28 homes built over the course of 5 years.

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Neighborhood Building

- 2006 4 home development completed on Flintlock Rd. in Ledyard.
- 2010 a 6 home development was created on Davis Farm Way in New London.
- 2019+ 14 homes will be created in the Greenville area of Norwich.

Tithe

Each year 10% of unrestricted donations are tithed to affiliates in different countries, serving some of the world's most needy people. In the next 5 years 25 more homes will be built with the funds that we contribute to Zambia, Egypt and Haiti.

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Innovative design
- single family
attached homes.

By building single story, compact, efficient homes families are able to realize long term benefits. Utilities in the homes are more affordable, the families will be able to stay in their home as they age, because their bedrooms are on the main floors. The homes are more affordable to build allowing more families to be served.

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8 families will move in
by June 2018.

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An Insider's View of the ReStores

On a warm morning at the ReStore: Early customers check the Free Tent and await opening. In the back volunteers unload the ReStore truck - new or gently used donated furniture, appliances, kitchen cabinets, tools, outdoor equipment, doors, windows and more. Others test and price items, or sanitize upholstered furniture, make minor repairs and trundle everything out to the selling floor.

At 10 a.m. Tues.-Sat., the treasure hunt begins in one of the two 10,000 square-foot stores. Some customers, like Rachel, enjoy the "element of surprise" while she looks for "really interesting pieces." Landlords purchase items for their rentals. Creative crafters seek sturdy pieces to refinish or repurpose. Many regulars purchase enough to qualify for the 10% discount and know to buy immediately, because it may be gone in minutes.

Meanwhile, donors bring items. Jim of New London speaks for many, "It's easier than having a tag sale, and people really need the things." Businesses donate regularly, often in large scale - 40,000 light bulbs, a dozen couches, 15 toilets, 20 side chairs. Contractors bring in excess materials. Last year's \$600,000+ sales receipts helped provide decent, safe, affordable housing to Habitat Partner Families.

Brendan's friend recommended the ReStore as a 'good place to volunteer' for his school's community service requirements. Retirees, service groups, folks doing court-ordered community service and future Habitat Homeowners also help.

Both ReStores need more donations and volunteers of all ages. Not only handling merchandise, but cashiering, refinishing items, cleaning, scheduling free donation pick-ups, keeping computer records, making phone calls and taking photos. Mary of Mystic asserts, "Volunteering is soul-satisfying, essential to Habitat's mission and FUN!"

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