



Habitat
for Humanity®
of Eastern Connecticut

every one

deserves a decent place to live.

spring 2017



our history

Rachel Robinson, widow of baseball star Jackie Robinson, honored at the Upper Pattagensett Rd project dedication in East Lyme, a project build with support of First Congregational Church of Old Lyme and Madry Temple.

2001

First local ReStore was opened in Thompson CT.

2003

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“Bette L. Mahon Award for Volunteerism” established honoring Bette who began volunteering in 1992.

March: Habitat for Humanity of Northeast Connecticut was founded.

1995

First New Year’s Eve Build involving 90 volunteers.

1991

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February: Sandy Beall was named board president. Sandy volunteered on construction sites for 28 years and continues to be involved as the longest active volunteer.

World House. The first interfaith build bringing together local Christians, Jews and Muslims.

2004

February: Habitat for Humanity of Southeastern Connecticut was incorporated, becoming one of the early US affiliates.

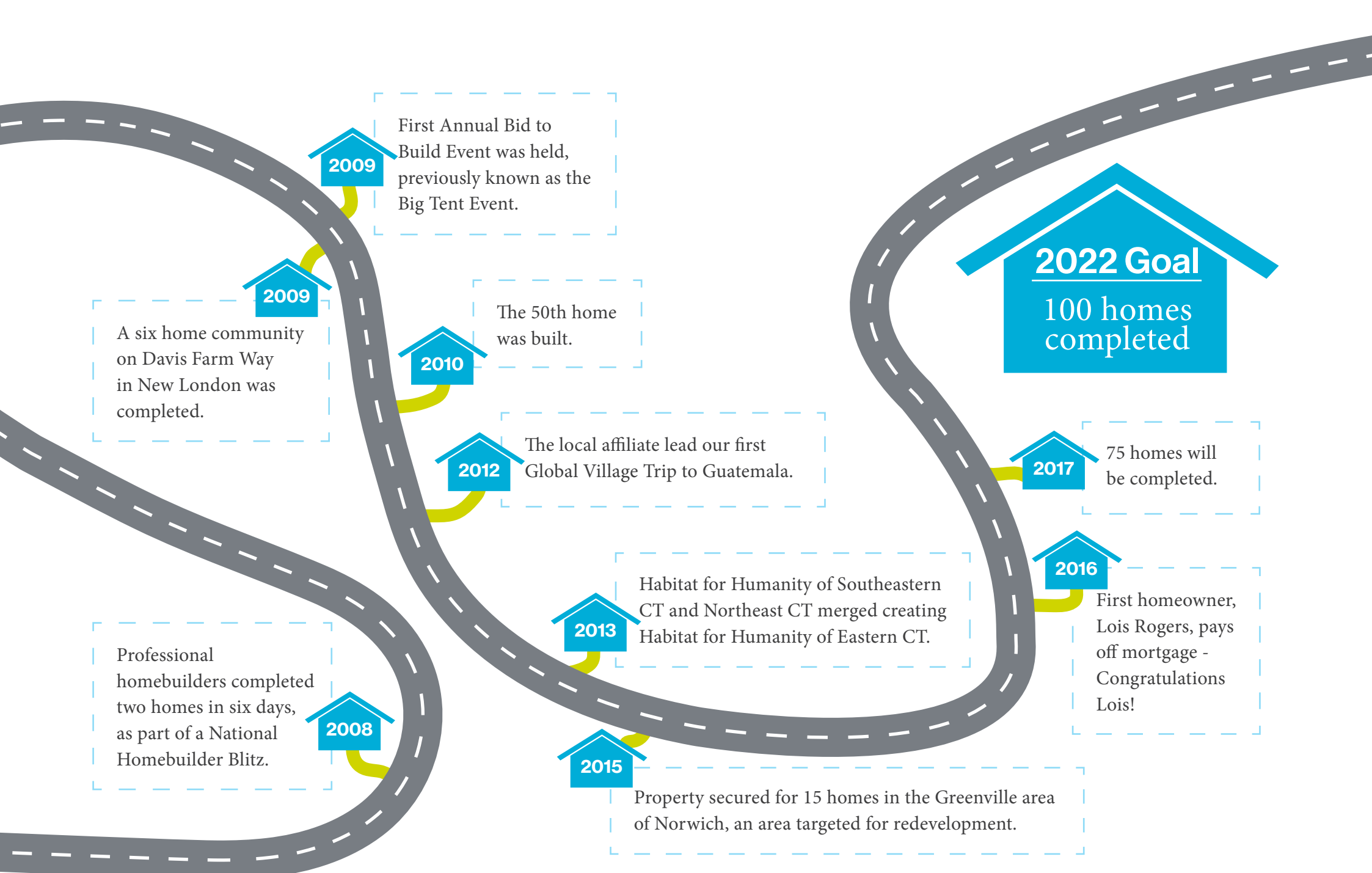
2005

First multi-house development was completed in Ledyard – A community of 4 homes.

1988

July: Millard and Linda Fuller visited eastern Connecticut and dedicated the first local house and broke ground on a second.

1987



2009

First Annual Bid to Build Event was held, previously known as the Big Tent Event.

2009

A six home community on Davis Farm Way in New London was completed.

2010

The 50th home was built.

2012

The local affiliate lead our first Global Village Trip to Guatemala.

2013

Habitat for Humanity of Southeastern CT and Northeast CT merged creating Habitat for Humanity of Eastern CT.

2015

Property secured for 15 homes in the Greenville area of Norwich, an area targeted for redevelopment.

2022 Goal
100 homes completed

2017

75 homes will be completed.

2016

First homeowner, Lois Rogers, pays off mortgage - Congratulations Lois!

2008

Professional homebuilders completed two homes in six days, as part of a National Homebuilder Blitz.

72

households of 274 individuals housed in New London & eastern Windham Counties.

Land bank of

22

properties to be developed

4

homes underway

108

homes built worldwide with the tithe sent to international affiliates most recently in Haiti, Egypt and Zambia.



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 **Habitat for Humanity**[®]
of Eastern Connecticut

ReStore

Accepting donations of new and used appliances, furniture and building materials.

Open to the public.

Currently, we are seeking donations of gently used kitchen cabinets for both stores.

We are also seeking volunteers to help solicit donations, please contact Terri at 860.442.7890 ext. 205, if interested.

Open:

Tuesday through Saturday
10 am to 6 pm

Locations:

808 Norwich Rd, Plainfield CT
860.564.7507

82 Boston Post Rd, Waterford CT
860.437.3422

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Myth #1:

Jimmy Carter started Habitat for Humanity.



Fact:

Habitat for Humanity was founded by Millard and Linda Fuller in 1973. Jimmy and Rosalyn Carter became enthusiastic supporters and helped raise awareness for the work of Habitat for Humanity.



Myth #2:

Houses are given away.



Fact:

Families are carefully selected for the program on their ability to pay for the no profit mortgage, real estate taxes and the home's expenses, their willingness to contribute 400 hours of sweat equity working alongside volunteers and their need for housing. The mortgage payments that the families pay back to Habitat are used to build more homes.



Myth #3:

Habitat homeowners need to be Christian to be selected.



Fact:

Habitat homeowners are chosen without regard to race, religion or ethnic group, in keeping with U.S. law and with Habitat's abiding belief that God's love extends to everyone.

Habitat also welcomes volunteers from all faiths, or no faith, to actively embrace Habitat's goal of providing decent shelter for all.

Kristie & Family

Making a home in Sterling.



I'm a working single mother of 4 wonderful children who are my life. All of my children are very helpful and loving.

Our rental home has had numerous problems and is in need of repair. We have had issues with the windows not latching and falling on their own as well as many not being operable at all. I had to rip out carpets that had years of mess and filth in them. There are uneven floors and problems with the faucets. The cracks on the wall and the ceiling are getting bigger. I took all the bedroom doors down as they were splintering and it was not safe. The water in the home is also not safe to drink.

We have overcome so much together as a family and we are very close. My goal has always been to own my own home, so I may pass it down to my children, and they will have the safety and comfort knowing that this is our home and we will never be uprooted.

This will be our final move, into a home I have helped to build; a home I was able to learn how to maintain and take great pride in.

The benefit of Habitat is not only the hand up that I was given, but the opportunity to help others.

I'll continue to be a part of Habitat for Humanity even after our home is built. I want to instill in my children the feeling you get when you've helped someone in need.

We have been married for thirteen years, and we are both natives of Puerto Rico. We decided to move to the United States, because my son did not receive the necessary help needed for his autism in Puerto Rico. We also believed we would find better education for him and our daughter, as well as better health care, and economic opportunities in the United States, so the day came for us to leave our loved ones behind.

The neighborhood we currently live in is incredibly unsafe. The apartment is lacking privacy. The neighbors are able to look in the windows easily, and people look in the bedroom windows often. Teenagers hang around outside doing all types of drugs. We have very noisy neighbors that wake up our infant, day and night. We feel it is unsafe to use the common areas like the laundry and hallways. We would like a home that will be safe for our family.

We hope to achieve all of our dreams and to give our children stability.

We always dreamed of owning our own home. When we learned about Habitat for Humanity, our dreams became possible. Although we speak little English, Habitat found a way for us to communicate. Now we are on our way to becoming Habitat homeowners.

Valdemar, Limaris & Family

Finding home in New London.

Bid to Build 2017

Where hardhats and high heels converge

Friday, April 21, 2017 at 6:30 PM at Three Rivers Community College, Norwich
Support local families working hard to achieve homeownership.

Tickets - \$20

Get your lucky raffle tickets for door prizes and the 50/50. Quench your palate with hearty hors d'oeuvres, wine, beer and bubbly. Paddles-up at the Live Auction contractor services and many-a-leisure rendezvous. It's worth shouting about at the Silent Auction and Bucket Raffle.

A sampling of the 50 live and silent auction lots:

- A Mohegan Sun Weekend for Two: Jason Aldean Show, Dinner at Tuscany & Overnight Stay
- Ride-Along with New London's Finest P.O.
- Saybrook Point Inn & Spa, Sunday Brunch for two
- Expert Carpenter for a Day
- A Sitting for Your Family Portrait
- 20 Person Pizza Party - Wherever You Wish
- Enders Island Vacation Home - Yours for a Week
- Eight Yards of Junk Removal from Just Dump-It
- A Professional Organizer At - Your - Service
- Overnight at Omni Providence Hotel
- Landscaping Services

And these are just for starters.

hard hats
& *high heels* 

Order Tickets at
habitatect.org or 860.442.7890



build together

Words of Wisdom from a “Faithful Framer”

“An important aspect of what we do is to help people out. Helping makes me appreciate what I have and where I am in life. You can’t feel like you helped if you didn’t work.”

Bette Mahon

Since 1992, she has served on committees, managed the Meridian Street office, chaired the Fund-raising Committee, worked in development and finance, wrote grants and did other chores, often putting in two full days a week, plus committee meetings..... “Habitat for Humanity is one of my passions,” she says.

The Broad Street office’s John Mahon Presidents Room is named for her husband, a former president and volunteer who passed away in August 2016.

Founding

In 1987 – Minister of First Church of Christ Captains Walk in New London, Rob Hamm and Minister of First Church of Christ in Groton, Arthur Pope sought to build on their experiences with the Groton Church’s Youth Experience & Travel Program. Together, they sponsored a public meeting at the New London church, in December of 1986 which was attended by over 100 people. A steering committee was formed, then a board of directors. Habitat for Humanity of Southeastern Connecticut was underway. “It was a real struggle to start, then it really blossomed in early 90s” says Pope, the first president.

In Honor

Donald and Patricia Alvarez

Austin Alvarez

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Robert Shepard

Austin and Carol Alvarez

Carl Smith

Gordon and Bethany Angell

Austin Alvarez

James and Virginia Beall

Austin Alvarez

Bradley Beall

John Robinson

Joanne and John Beancivengo

Austin Alvarez

Russell Brown

Ellen Ashburn

Charles Cocores

Thomas Barton

Joanne DeTurk and Family

Austin Alvarez

Theresa Dontelli

Jennifer Bustamonte

Elizabeth Drouin

Raymond Flautt

Elizabeth Messler

David and Carol Durr

Thomas Barnhart

Family and Friends

Jerry Holmberg

Ron and Claudia Grantham

Sarah Quentin

Margaret and Jerry Holmberg

Laura Calvin

Alan Holmberg

Rebecca Holmberg

Tony Sheridan

Eric and Meg Holmberg

Susan Smith

Eric Malmberg

Susan Smith

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Malmberg

Susan Smith

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Roger Montigny

Louis, Arlene Sarappo & Family

Austin Alvarez

Barbara Sawyer

Arthur Sawyer

Bob and Charlotte Shepard

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Carl and Audrey Smith

Austin Alvarez

Jack Srebnik

JoAnn Fleischman

Ted Waites

Paul Boulais

Tom and Carol Vincent

Maria Hammons

Ted and Karen Waites

Jessica Beausoleil

Ken Waites

Pamela Walters

In Memory

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Pearl Gilmour

Helen Burch

Donald Burch

Katarzyna Carlone

Laura Carlone

Bob Chapman

Susan Whitehead

Don Conradi

Atlantic Marine Construction
LLC

Duncan Bailey

Susan Blanchard

Edna Boroski

Eastern CT Association of
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Albert LeSage

Regal McLean

Timothy Menard

Joseph Ryder

Carol Smith

Pamela Spalding

Gaye Davis

Doreen Mantilia

Leroy Donovan

Thomas Barnhart

John O. Enders, II

John Steffian

William Kent

Oliver Wickerd

John Mahon

Niantic Community Church

Hugh Manning

Richard Bradley

Theresa Reddy

Diane Bates

Bruce Rich

Nina Graham

E. Russell Johnston

Robert Kimpling

Dominic La Rosa

William Buehrle

William Fedorko

Donna Habansky

Susan Pulos

Richmond Memorial Library

Association

Barbara Rudolph

Peter Wursthorn

Peter Rinando

Josephine De Vincenzi

Frank Denton

Karen Jones

Robert E. Owens

Linda Stansbury

Gary Blessing

Sonny Tudisca

Alexis Clement

MLM Chiropractic LLC

Edward Whitcomb

Julie Bauman

James and Carol Indorato

Sean Murray

John Rosco

Bruce Sable

Marilyn Wehrle

Businesses

Abbey's Lantern Hill Inn

Bank of America through Habitat
for Humanity International

Charter Oak Credit Union

Colin Shaw Remodeling LLC

Colonial Cooperative Care, Inc

The Day Publishing Company

Dealertrack

DeRosia Electirc

Dow Chemical

Electric Boat Employees

Community Services Assoc

Eversource Energy

Falvey Linen Supply

Federal Home Loan

Bank of Boston

Ferdette Drywall

GeoQuest, Inc.

Habitat Lowe's Women Build

Harkcon Inc

Home Designs by Bruno

Hoops and Jensen LLC

Hyde Park Landscaping, Inc

Jensen's Inc

Laz Parking

Liberty Bank

Lowe's Companies

Lowe's Distribution Center

Lowe's of Lisbon

Lowe's of Waterford

Pautipaug Electric

Pfizer, Inc.

Renee Healion Appraisals

Schneider Electric

Servpro of Norwich/
Windham County

Spanos Landscaping

UBS Wealth Management

Valspar

Whirlpool Corporation

Yankee Remodeler of
New London

Civic Groups

Frontier Telephone Employees CSF

Putnam Rotary Club

Rotary Club of Mystic

Government Programs

City of New London

Connecticut Housing

Finance Authority

Faith Based

Crossroads Presbyterian Church
First Baptist Church of Lebanon
First Congregational Church of
Old Lyme
Mystic Congregational Church
Niantic Community Church
Noank Baptist Church
Packerville Baptist Church
Saint Lawrence Church
Saint Luke Lutheran Church
United Methodist Church of
Gales Ferry
US Coast Guard Academy -
Chaplains Office

Foundations

Bank of America Charitable
Foundation
Bodenwein Public
Benevolent Fund
Martha & John William
Bradshaw Charitable
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Chelsea Groton Savings
Bank Foundation
Chester Kitchings Family
Foundation
Community Foundation of
Eastern Connecticut
Eastern Savings Bank Foundation
Liberty Bank Foundation
Edward and Mary Lord
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Loweth-Alvord Foundation
Niblack Foundation
Ocean State Job Lot

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Frank Loomis Palmer Fund
People's United Community
Foundation
Pfizer Employee Matching
Gifts Program
Pfizer Foundation
Volunteer Program
Pfizer Local Community Grants
Pfizer Retiree Matching
Gifts Program
Savings Institute Financial
Group Foundation

Colleges/Universities

Connecticut College, Habitat
Campus Chapter
Endicott College
Three Rivers Community College
University of Connecticut, Honors
Across State Borders

Individuals

Thomas and Patty Adams
Anonymous
Nancy Banks
Richard Bennink and
Virginia Murray
Gary and Blessing
Thomas and Melinda Blum
Arnold Benak and
Rosemary Bontempi
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Hershal and Barbara Sawyer
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Caroline and Milton Walters
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Lisa Keilty
Paula MacDougall
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Americana Furniture
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Quoizel, Inc
TRUE Value Home Center
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We build strength, stability, and self-reliance through shelter.