

## A HAND-UP, NOT A HAND-OUT

The housing conditions that many of our residents live in are deplorable. One of every five Hawai'i residents are spending more than half the family income for overcrowded, dilapidated places to live. 71,004 of all housing units in Honolulu County alone are in substandard condition and it is estimated that some 6,000 people have no place to live at all.

By using a self-help housing method along with the help of thousands of volunteers, Leeward Habitat is a solution to the housing crisis we are facing on O'ahu. It is also the only organization that brings homeownership to the lowest income families, those that make 50% or less than the median area income.

## HOW TO BECOME A PARTNER FAMILY

To become a partner family and to someday own your own Habitat for Humanity home, Leeward O'ahu families should contact the Leeward Habitat for Humanity office to apply. Partner Families receive a no-interest mortgage for their homes (the proceeds go directly into building more Habitat for Humanity homes) and are expected to contribute hundreds of hours of labor both on their own homes and the homes of other partner families.



*"Love your neighbor as yourself,"  
- Matthew 22:39*



**Building Houses, Building Hope**



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# I WANT TO HELP!

Send me more information about:

Committee Membership

*Please circle one:*

*Fundraising, Family Selection, Family Support*

Building Volunteer

*Please circle one:*

*Novice builder, Skilled builder, Contractor*

Office Support

Adopt-a-Day

Build-a-Thon Participant

Special Events Volunteer

House Sponsorship

Church Involvement

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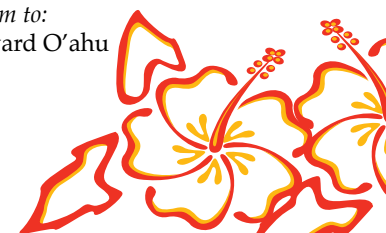
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Additional Information \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my tax-deductible donation made payable to Habitat for Humanity Leeward O'ahu!

Please send your volunteer form to:  
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## ABOUT HABITAT

Habitat for Humanity Leeward O'ahu is a nonprofit, ecumenical Christian housing ministry that builds simple, affordable homes in partnership with those in need. It is our mission to eliminate substandard housing and homelessness in Leeward O'ahu.

Families purchase the houses at no profit, through interest-free loans. Their monthly mortgage payments go into a revolving Fund for Humanity to support the construction of more houses. Through this approach, Habitat gives partner families a hand up, restoring the hope and dignity that poverty can strip away.

## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY THRIVES WITH VOLUNTEERS LIKE YOU! HERE'S HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED:

### 1. House Sponsorship

Habitat houses cannot get started without the funding needed to finish the entire house. It typically cost \$90,000 to build one house. Encourage your business, church or service organization to sponsor a portion or an entire Habitat house.

### 2. Adopt-a-Day

It is much more fun to volunteer at the Habitat building site as a group! Sponsor a day of work at a building site and come out with your friends, co-workers, or religious or service organization.

### 3. Special Events

Leeward Habitat's largest event of the year is the Build-a-Thon. This one-day statewide building extravaganza brings together the efforts of hundreds of volunteers who work in planning, swinging hammers, raising pledges and on-site coordination of the event.

### 4. Build Site Volunteers

Construction experience is NOT needed to volunteer at the build site. Habitat's site supervisor will train every volunteer in the construction work needed to build the home.

### 5. Church Participation

As a faith-based non-profit, Habitat for Humanity is the perfect way to put your faith in action. Church groups help Habitat by providing lunches for site volunteers, volunteering as a group and even spreading the word in their community about Habitat's home building ministry.

