



## Realtors Association of Hamilton-Burlington

with **YOUR** support we partnered with 212 working families

#### all that is possible, with **YOUR** support

Dear Realtors Association of Hamilton-Burlington,

This year continued to be an unpredictable year for all of us, but more so for the many families living with lower income for whom the pandemic has pushed homeownership further out of reach. The pandemic has highlighted the importance of housing and we need to make sure that everyone in Canada has access to the stability and security that come from having affordable and equitable housing.

At Habitat for Humanity Canada, we know that housing is so much more than bricks and mortar. Beyond the build, decent housing transforms people's futures, strengthens communities and fosters resilience and stability that drive positive social and economic outcomes for all. Every single Habitat home transforms lives, not only the lives of the families who help to build their own homes and pay an affordable mortgage, but also the lives of volunteers and Habitat supporters who give back to their community through donations, volunteering and support.

Homes are an investment in the future health and sustainability of the communities we serve. Your generosity helped ensure that local Habitats across Canada were able to continue building, so that families had access to safe and affordable housing when they needed it the most.

On behalf of Habitat for Humanity Canada and every local Habitat across the country, please accept my heartfelt thank you for continuing to partner with us, and for opening doors for even more families to have a safe and affordable place to call home.

Juli Deaus

Julia Deans, President and CEO Habitat for Humanity Canada



# 212 families moved into their new Habitat homes. These families included 484 children, 88 single parent led households, and 22 Indigenous families.



#### **DONATIONS**

In 2021, the Realtors Association of Hamilton-Burlington raised \$41,000 in support of Habitat homebuilding projects. Investing in Habitat Canada has a long-term impact that goes far beyond four walls. Did you know that every Habitat home generates \$175,000 in benefits back to the community? And for every dollar invested into a Habitat home, \$4 are returned to the community in the form of societal benefits, quadrupling the impact of your donations. That means the Realtors Association of Hamilton-Burlington's investment in building stronger families and stronger communities had a \$164,00 impact.

\$41,000

PARTNER CASH DONATION \$164,000

SOCIAL GOOD \*\$1=\$4

\* For every \$1 invested in a Habitat home, \$4 in social benefits/benefits are returned to the community.





Over **15,000 volunteers** helped local Habitats across Canada **build homes, operate Habitat ReStores and engage their communities** in the work of Habitat for Humanity.





#### HABITAT BUILD DAYS

Habitat Canada's Team Building opportunities are a unique and engaging way to connect your employees to an important cause – helping them build stronger relationships with one another while they build homes for people in need of decent housing. The best part? Volunteers don't need any special skills, just enthusiasm and a willingness to learn.

Working alongside future Habitat homeowners, community volunteers and seasoned Habitat construction staff, your colleagues showed up to swing hammers on our 134 Catharine St. Hamilton, Ontario build site. Thank you for providing us with some truly amazing volunteers, who helped future Habitat homeowners build not just a decent and affordable house, but a place where they can make memories with their families for generations to come.

Thanks to the Realtors Association of Hamilton-Burlington and the Realtors Care initiative, these homeowners are also building financial stability and independence.

8 VOLUNTEERS

60 VOLUNTEER HOURS

COMMUNITY SERVED

#### with **YOUR** support

Thank you for investing in Habitat for Humanity through the RAHB Walkathon for Habitat for Humanity Canada. By leveraging your support, we were able to raise \$41,000 for local Habitats in Niagara, Hamilton, and Burlington so they can continue building homes for families in need of safe and affordable housing.





#### RAHB WALK FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY CANADA

In celebration, of the Realtor Association of Hamilton-Burlington's 100th Anniversary, RAHB members, their families and their friends participated in the RAHB Walk for Habitat for Humanity Canada from September 1st to September 30th. Eighty-three walkers participated in this fun and meaningful initiative raising \$41,000 in support of Habitat Halton-Mississauga-Dufferin, Habitat Hamilton, and Habitat Niagara Region.

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**FUNDS RAISED** 

**3**PARTICIPATING LOCAL HABITATS

**4** FAMILIES SERVED

"My kids get to see a beautiful side of society. One where people come together and help others in their community out of kindness. We will never stop paying it forward."

- Amanda, Habitat homeowner





#### **HOME IS SECURITY**

Amanda is a single parent with two kids, aged six and ten. She's employed by the Canadian Revenue Agency, working part-time so she can provide after-school care to her son with special needs. On a single income, it was difficult for her to enter the housing market. Before partnering with Habitat Hamilton and becoming a Habitat homeowner, Amanda and her two kids lived with her dad and brother—making do in cramped quarters.

Thanks to the generous support of partners like RAHB, Amanda and her two kids are now proud homeowners. Their new home is a semi-detached house with a yard for the children to play in and sufficient space for Amanda to provide sensory therapy for her son.

Amanda tells us that her Habitat home has given her a new sense of pride and that finding affordable housing has taught her children something special:

"My kids get to see a beautiful side of society. One where people come together and help others in their community, out of kindness. We will never stop paying it forward."

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### Thank you! for YOUR support

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