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## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF ORANGE COUNTY ENGAGES IN ADVOCACY INITIATIVES

## What is Habitat for Humanity of Orange County?

• Habitat for Humanity of Orange County is a nonprofit organization in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, that provides and repairs homes for families in need. Habitat has consistently partnered with families to create healthier and more financially stable lives. Through volunteer labor and monetary donations, Habitat has served over 300 families in Orange County since 1984. Habitat's vision is that everyone in Orange County has a decent place to live.

## What issues does Habitat of Humanity of Orange County address and how?

- In Orange County, affordable housing options are scarce. Habitat for Humanity of Orange County advocates at the federal, state, and local levels for affordable housing policies.
- Habitat for Humanity of Orange County is a founding member of the <u>Orange County Affordable Housing Coalition</u> and a leader in The Chamber for a Greater Chapel Hill-Carrboro's <u>Big Bold Initiative</u>. Both groups work to provide affordable housing opportunities for all.

## What accomplishments did Habitat for Humanity of Orange County make in 2023?

- Volunteers built 16 new homes and repaired 19 homes.
- The Chapel Hill Town Council invested funds for new affordable housing units.
- The Chapel Hill Town Council voted that one-quarter of the property on <u>Legion</u> Road be used for affordable housing.
- The Chapel Hill Town Council added an amendment to The Town of Chapel Hill's <u>Land Use Management</u> <u>Ordinance</u> that reduces the time and costs associated with building affordable homes.

For more information, please visit Habitat for Humanity of Orange County's <u>website</u> or contact Habitat for Humanity of Orange County at <u>info@orangehabitat.org</u>.