

# 2010 | Annual Report



# Growing Our Impact



**Habitat**  
for Humanity®  
Halton

Building Homes.  
Building Hope.

# Growing Our Impact

## Vision

A world where everyone has a safe and decent place to live.

## Mission

To use our knowledge, skills, community relationships, volunteers and other resources to create and promote safe and affordable home ownership options with the aim of alleviating the cycle of poverty within our community.

## Values

### **Housing for All**

We believe that access to safe, decent and affordable housing is a basic human right that should be available to all.

### **Human Dignity**

We believe in the worth and dignity of every human being. We respect the people we serve and those that help us in this effort and recognize them as our greatest resource.

### **Partnership**

We believe we can best achieve our mission through meaningful and mutually beneficial partnerships with others.

### **Faith in Action**

We believe that faith is lived through action. Building on our Christian foundation, we serve and work with people of all faiths and beliefs in a spirit of justice and compassion.

### **Diversity and Inclusiveness**

We believe there is a role for everyone committed to our vision, mission and values and we seek to enrich our organization through diversity.

Cover photos:  
Three new families purchased Habitat homes this year: two in Oakville, one in Halton Hills. Joining the Acton family were: Family Liaison volunteers Dan Poirier & Mark Dapat (far left), Executive Director Anne Swarbrick, Board of Directors Vice-Chair Lynn Fergusson and Family Partnering Committee Tracey Pingle (far right).



# Our Capacity to Care



Ed McMahon  
Board Chair, Habitat Halton

Anne Swarbrick  
Executive Director,  
Habitat Halton

As our strategy unfolds, and our unique ability to help more deserving partner families develops along with it, we find ourselves spending a great deal of time and energy “building our capacity.”

Throughout our Habitat for Humanity Halton family – from the Board, through our leadership and staff team, our many able volunteers, and especially our partner families, our Affiliate’s capacity – our collective Capacity to Care – has very real meaning.



Robert Browning said, “Ah, but a man’s reach should exceed his grasp, or what’s a heaven for?” This was Browning’s call to reach for the stars – to strive for that which is just beyond what it seems practical for a person (or an organization) to do. We should never be satisfied, according to Browning, to do what is easily done. We should always strive to do more – to do better.

At Habitat for Humanity Halton we constantly strive to do more, and to do better. We recognize that although we live in one of the most prosperous regions in the country, the need for simple, decent, affordable housing exists here as it exists throughout Ontario, the rest of Canada, and the world.

Our mission calls for us to devote all of our efforts to reducing the impact of poverty and substandard housing here in Halton. In order to do that, we need to increase our capacity, because the need is great.

This year we have seen some excellent examples of increasing our Capacity to Care.

In addition to the two homes that we built in Oakville, we have been expanding our capacity to help our partner families through two new programs – ReNew *It* and HomeWORKS. These programs are great examples of helping to address core

housing issues in different ways:

- ReNew *It* is a repair and renovation program that provides no-interest loans to qualifying homeowners for home repairs or renovations, particularly those related to energy efficiency, accessibility and safety. We believe that these programs will be especially attractive to Halton’s seniors population – a segment of Halton’s population that is traditionally underserved.

- HomeWORKS is a program designed to help Halton residents build their home management skills through a series of educational modules such as Managing Your Budget, Managing Your Money, and Insurance Talk, for people who wish to break the cycle of poverty through responsible home ownership.

To support the increased level of program activity, we have redefined our organizational structure to more clearly focus Habitat for Humanity Halton staff activities on areas we believe are increasingly important to the Affiliate and to our capacity to serve: e.g. Family Partnering, Community Relations and Fund Development.

Finally, we have expanded our ReStore by 3,000 square feet. This will allow us to offer more new and gently-used goods for sale, increasing awareness of the work that we do in the

community, and providing much-needed additional revenue to finance more programs.

Goodwill and good wishes, together with an earnest desire to see an end to the impact of poverty housing in Halton, are the foundation of the work that we do. But in order to be successful, and to truly help as many partner families as we can, we have to couple our caring with capacity – we have to increase our Capacity to Care – and that is what we are on track to do.



# Messages from Regional Chair

“Through the implementation of the Comprehensive Housing Strategy, adopted by Regional Council in 2006, Halton Region has committed to both preserving the affordable housing we have now, and to finding ways to help individuals and families in need.

Regional Council understands the vital role affordable housing plays in building a healthy and sustainable community.

I look forward to continuing to work together with Habitat for Humanity Halton so that we can build healthy communities for ourselves and our families.”

**Gary Carr,**  
**Regional Municipality of Halton Chair**



## & Local Mayors



“Everyone needs a place to live that is within their economic means. Habitat for Humanity Halton provides a respectful place to live and at the same time allowing people the dignity of paying for something they can afford.

Habitat Halton continues to remind us that affordable housing is perhaps the single most important issue we face today. Our economy is generating lower income jobs that our housing market does not provide for. We have to ensure that affordable development takes place in our community.”

**Mayor Rick Goldring,**  
**Burlington**

“The town was thrilled to partner with Habitat for Humanity Halton in 2010 to help create a better future for two hard-working families in our community. Our vision is to become the most livable town in Canada and we know that having affordable housing plays a vital role in building healthy and sustainable communities.”

**Mayor Rob Burton,**  
**Oakville**

“It is through the commitment of Habitat for Humanity Halton sponsors and volunteers and their knowledge, skills and relationships that makes home ownership a reality for identified families in need. Thank you to all the volunteers and sponsors who support Habitat for Humanity Halton and their

vision of building homes and hope.”

**Mayor Gordon Krantz,**  
**Milton**

“Affordable housing makes the difference for individuals and families through the security it brings making it easier for them to afford healthy food, participate in community activities, and developing a sense of belonging in community. The stability provided by good housing is a facilitator for positive mental health and healthy citizens that give back to their communities. That is why the Town of Halton Hills Strategic Plan commits to Fostering a Healthy Community, through such strategic objectives as the promotion of an adequate supply of housing and range

of housing choices to meet the needs of present and future residents, including affordable, accessible and seniors housing.

The Town of Halton Hills is committed to delivering affordable housing ‘on the ground’ and has successfully partnered with and supported Habitat for Humanity over the last few years. In support of this commitment, the Town has waived or refunded approximately \$15,000.00 in Development and Building Permit fees for Habitat for Humanity homes constructed on John Street in Georgetown and Peel Street in Acton”

**Mayor Rick Bonnett,**  
**Halton Hills**

# Leading the Way



## Habitat Canada Commends Habitat Halton as a Leader in Building Green and Building Safely



Flanked by Oakville Mayor Rob Burton (L) and Regional Chair Gary Carr (R), local councillor Cathy Duddeck and her colleagues on Council have been strong supporters, including at this groundbreaking celebration for these "Gold" certified homes.



Terry Petkau, National Director, Building Services, Habitat for Humanity Canada

**"Habitat Halton is to be congratulated for its on-going commitment to reducing operating costs for Partner Families and managing its environmental impact as a builder by becoming the first Habitat for Humanity home builder to register and certify two homes outside of Alberta and BC under the newly expanded Built Green Canada label - and at the Gold level!"**

Habitat for Humanity (HFH) is making some significant strides in becoming a truly GREEN builder across the country. These initiatives result in healthier and more affordable homes for Partner Families and, at the same time, the organization is starting to do its part in the reduction of harmful CO2 emissions into the atmosphere. Included in these GREEN initiatives are the applications of more sustainable building envelopes beyond conventional wood framing, expanded use of certified wood products from sustainably managed forest operations and the growing use of an Integrated Design Process (IDP).

A significant over-arching aspect of the commitment HFH has made across Canada under GREEN Building is the number of HFH build projects designed, built and certified under "Best in Class" GREEN Building Programs such as LEED for Homes and Energy Star.

Built Green Canada is a stringent Green Building certification program "designed by builders – for

builders" enabling applicants to certify residential new home construction projects from the entry BRONZE level to the top PLATINUM level certification. HFH Canada is very excited about a recent partnership established with Built Green Canada as this is the first Green building program offered on a national scale since the introduction of R2000 some 25 years ago.

Built Green Canada has also provided all HFH Affiliates with free registration of all homes built under this label and this could not have been made possible without Habitat Halton laying the groundwork for this partnership through the Built Green Canada pilot project in Oakville. A compliment to this specific Green building commitment was the partnership established between Habitat Halton and the Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) which resulted in a significant portion of the lumber requirements donated through the efforts of the Ontario chapter SFI "Implementation Committee".

HFH Canada continues to also recognize Habitat Halton for its investment in and commitment to the Safety, Health & Environment (SHE) Program. Habitat Halton leads the way in our organization in developing and implementing a very comprehensive SHE Management System which includes policies, procedures and partnerships specific to due diligence around safety. It is sometimes difficult to comply with every aspect of the Occupational Health & Safety Act as we maintain our commitment to partner with skilled and unskilled volunteers as much as possible.

Habitat Halton's commitment to GREEN Building, to maintaining a comprehensive SHE Management System and at the same time always exploring innovative solutions to eliminate risks strengthens and expands its ability to address the affordable housing need in the Halton Region.



# Facing Reality: Poverty in Halton



**Sheldon Wolfson**  
Commissioner, Social  
and Community  
Services,  
Halton Region

**Anne Swarbrick**  
Executive Director,  
Habitat Halton

In spite of our apparent wealth, 8.5% of Halton residents live below the low income level, meaning \$41,300 for a family of four, \$22,200 for a single person (for 2009 income levels.)

Marc Hamel, business representative, was one of four panelists who listened and learned from fifteen remarkable people who testified within Halton's Social Audit organized by Halton Community Legal Services in April 2010. The experience led him to agree to Co-Chair the new Halton Roundtable on Poverty. As Marc reflected in the report, *Cracks in the System*: "...these people from our community had not fallen through the cracks, but rather had been pushed there by circumstances..."

Kerry Sagar, of the Halton District School Board, another Social Audit panelist, reported that: "...three issues really stood out as barriers when living in poverty in Halton. Housing, transportation and stigma..."

The 2009 State of Housing Report indicates that Halton has approximately 2,000 low income applicants waiting to be housed, including mostly non-senior singles, childless couples, and larger families.

The Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing Program (AHP) has helped with Halton's 'Affordable Housing' portion of the housing continuum

illustrated in Figure 1. Thanks to the AHP, 225 new units, with rents set at 80% of the average market rent, will benefit seniors seeking housing at moderate income levels; however, the needs remain great for the communities of Oakville, Burlington, Milton and Halton Hills.

To keep housing costs within 30% of income, the housing continuum depicted in Figure 1 illustrates that a household with an 'assisted' income threshold of \$41,700 could afford to rent an apartment for up to \$1,042/month or to own a house costing a maximum of \$139,000. An income between \$41,700 and \$82,300 could afford to rent an apartment between \$1,042 to \$2,057/month or to purchase a house costing between \$139,000 and \$273,000. Some of these numbers, however, are far from Halton's realities.

Halton Region and Habitat for Humanity Halton are pleased to have collaborated to bring the benefits of the Home Ownership Component of the Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing Program to four families to whom Habitat Halton sold homes in 2010. The transformational benefits of home ownership in breaking the cycle of poverty were demonstrated by the March 2004 national survey of Habitat families conducted by the Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation:

**The reality for people working near the minimum wage in Halton is depicted in a 6-minute video developed by Poverty Free Halton. The video can be downloaded through the Community Development Halton site at [www.cdhalton.ca](http://www.cdhalton.ca)**



Led by Habitat Canada CEO, Stewart Hardacre, our delegation met 3 March 2011 with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to advocate for continuation of the Housing Component of the Canada - Ontario Affordable Housing Program. The C-OAHP has meant \$50,000 per Habitat family in 2010. We also proposed other policy planning incentives for municipalities to assist in Habitat solutions to poverty in our communities. Partnering in the meeting were (from left to right): Janet Hope, Asst. Deputy Minister, Housing Division; Alastair Davis, CEO Habitat Niagara; Ravi Bhusia, Manager, Northern and Home Ownership; Brian Teefy, Senior Policy Advisor to the Minister; Neil Hetherington, CEO Habitat Toronto; Anne Swarbrick, ED Habitat Halton; and Stewart Hardacre, CEO Habitat Canada.



- 35% were less reliant on social assistance
- 33% moved on to better jobs
- 24% of parents went back to school
- 53% noticed improvement in child behaviour\*

We have a long way to go to respond to the needs of our communities. Halton Region's recent collaborations with Habitat for Humanity Halton toward this end include helping to support Habitat's new HomeWORKS skills-building workshops for low income residents, as well as ReNew It, a program to assist in home repairs, accessibility renovations, and energy efficiency improvements for homeowners whose incomes have fallen below the poverty line. Halton Region also assisted Habitat Halton in purchasing land for its last three builds. Along with other partners, we helped organize the Halton Leadership Summit on Poverty Reduction in November 2010 and the Halton Roundtable on Poverty Reduction through which various key individuals and organizations will work together to continue raising awareness and to create a Community Poverty Reduction Plan. Our goal is to help make Halton Region the best place to live, work, raise a family and retire.

As brought to our attention by Halton's Chief of Police, Gary Crowell, the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police have called on all levels of government to collaborate in developing a comprehensive, multi-faceted national poverty reduction strategy as a key plank in creating safe, healthy, inclusive communities in which our citizens can reach their potential as parents, community members and contributors to Canada's economic and social fabric. In Halton, we look forward to doing our part.

*\*Source: Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation; Assessment of the Outcomes for Habitat for Humanity Home Buyers: March 2004*

"Halton has a clever disguise when it comes to poverty. You folks don't see it. No one sees it."

**From N, a Social Audit witness, April 2010**

"I have and will continue to put on a brave face while keeping the depth and breadth of our dire financial circumstances a secret from my children hoping they will play along with me and pretend we are living like everyone else."

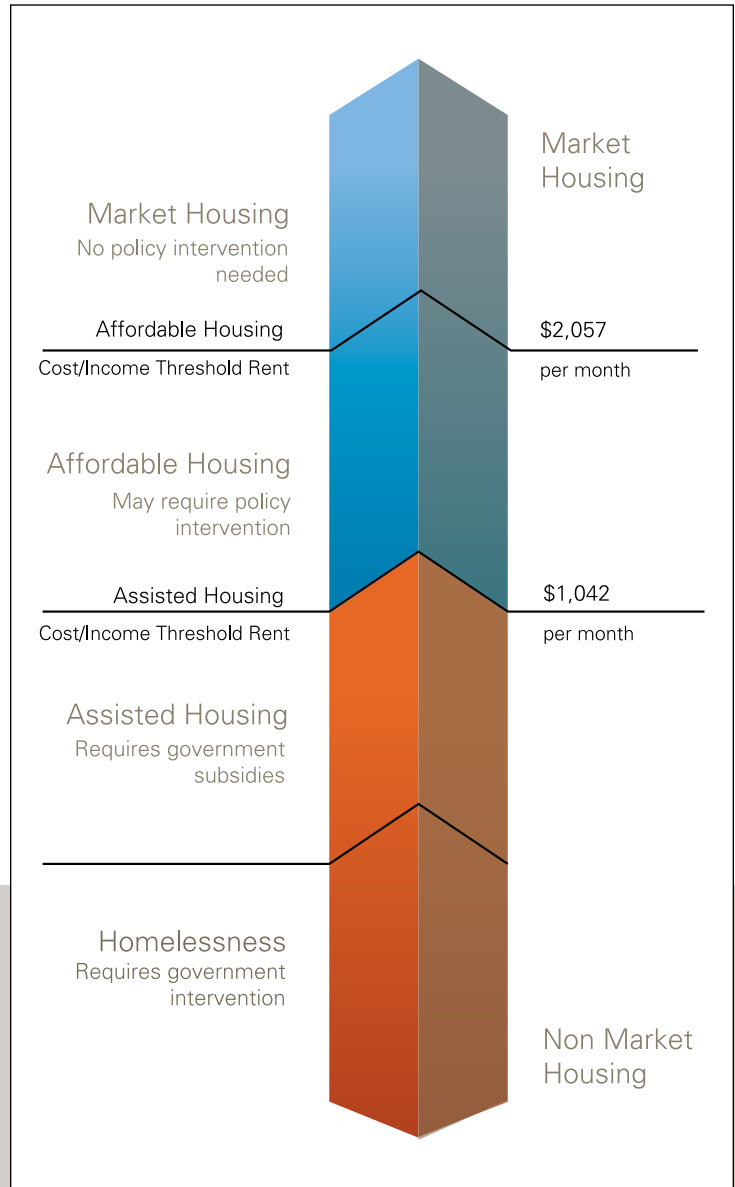
**From C, a Social Audit witness, April 2010**

"Change can happen...but we need to make it happen. If we all can unite and work together we can see the issue of poverty decrease, and the health and well being of others increase."

**From DH, a Social Audit witness, April 2010**

Figure 1

## Halton Region's Housing Continuum



**The generally accepted definition of affordability is for a household to pay no more than 30% of its annual income on housing.**

Source: Halton Region – 2009 State of Housing Report



Happy memories of our Oakville builds, including the valuable support of Mayor Rob Burton, Councillor Cathy Duddeck, their council team, and Regional Chair Gary Carr.



Illustrating the difference that Habitat Halton's recent "tithe" of undesignated donations contributed to in Haiti.



# Growing Our Impact



# From Local to Global



## Local and Global Efforts of Habitat for Humanity Halton and Habitat for Humanity Canada

### Local

**Kate Longmoore**  
Marketing Committee  
Volunteer,  
Habitat Halton

**Need:** In 2010, Habitat for Humanity Halton continued to provide affordable housing solutions to hard-working families, vulnerable to the entrapment of the cycle of poverty caused by inadequate housing. This past year, Habitat for Humanity Halton helped two families in Oakville and one in Acton, achieve their dream of having a home of their own that they can afford.

“Not having a stable home has been very stressful, and emotionally, for our family,” explained Habitat homeowner, Stephanie. “In the last four or five years we’ve had to move quite frequently. The places we were living in were either infested with rodents and bugs or landlords were claiming bankruptcy. It’s nice to know we finally have our very own, safe place to call home.”

“Our past unit wasn’t great and now actually being able to turn the heat on when we need it, is something that most people take for granted. I look forward to putting my daughter to bed without her being cold,” Tianna, new homeowner shared with The Oakville Beaver during the dedication ceremony.

**Action:** By helping families achieve affordable homeownership, Habitat for Humanity Halton is also providing a safe and healthy environment for young families.

“You ask for something, you pray for something and when you actually have it, you just can’t believe it,” said new Oakville homeowner, Tianna. “Habitat has just been God sent for my family.”

**Impact:** Providing a safe home is only one part of what Habitat for Humanity Halton does for families in need; by providing affordable housing, sponsored families have more available income for other important necessities such as food, utilities, childcare and building the well-being of their families.

“Our Habitat home has allowed me get a foothold financially.” Said Judy Eaton, Habitat homeowner in Acton. “We’re no longer paying high costs for sub-par housing.”

### Global

**Heather White**  
Speakers’ Bureau  
Volunteer,  
Habitat Halton

**Need:** On January 12, 2010, a 7.0 magnitude earthquake damaged nearly 190,000 houses, of which 105,000 were completely destroyed. Of the more than two million affected survivors, 1.3 million are still displaced today. In the fall of last year, Hurricane Tomas and, a cholera epidemic, together with the continuing extreme poverty, have intensified the challenges to the recovery efforts in Haiti.

**Action:** Habitat for Humanity International, Habitat for Humanity Canada, and Habitat for Humanity Haiti have worked with local partners to assist. Habitat for Humanity Halton provided funding support by directing 10% of all undesignated donations last year to assist their work, which included:

- Conducting more than 2,000 housing damage assessments
- Providing more than 1,000 families with transitional (moveable) or upgradeable permanent shelters by December 2010

- Providing more than 21,000 emergency shelter kits, including tools that have allowed Haitians to clean up debris, complete basic repairs and create emergency shelter
- Providing emergency technical assistance and capacity support to the government for community planning on shelter and settlement issues
- Training over 500 Haitians in seismic-resistant construction techniques
- Establishing 5 Habitat Resource Centres which support the development and sustainability of the local construction sector, through vocational training, job creation, and business development
- Building more than 200 latrines, distributed 750 household hygiene kits and held hygiene promotion classes to stop the deadly spread of cholera

**Impact:** One year after the Haiti earthquake, Habitat’s rebuilding program has benefited nearly 24,000 families or approximately 119,000 individuals through emergency, transitional and permanent housing solutions. Habitat’s goal is to serve 50,000 families over the next five years.

# Celebrating ReStore Success, Expansion

**Tracey Pingle**  
ReStore Assistant  
Manager,  
Habitat Halton

The ReStore sells new and used quality surplus home products and building materials at a fraction of retail prices. Materials sold are donated from various sources: corporate sponsors, contractors, designers, developers, home owners and retailers. Proceeds from the sale of these products support Habitat for Humanity Halton's programs. In addition to raising funds, the ReStore also helps the environment by diverting thousands of tons of usable materials away from landfills.

The ReStore is growing in leaps and bounds with its on-going expansion project. Over the last several months, volunteers and customers have grown accustomed to seeing major changes every time they enter the store. One week, a large opening appears, providing additional space; the next week, the entire break room is demolished, replaced by a bright and cheerful new kitchen.

In 2011, the expansion will be complete and will result in an additional 3,000 square feet of retail space. Thanks to our exclusive ReStore Expansion Sponsor, First Canadian Title (FCT), we will have more room for our products, and with strategic store placement will increase our sales, generating additional revenue for Halton's programs. The numerous partners in the community are very generous in their donations to the ReStore, and it is a pleasure to showcase their donations in our newly-renovated space. No more overcrowded shelves – and we celebrate!

During this transitional period, the generosity of our volunteers has been more important than ever. Not only depending on the expertise of the hard-working and skilled these people to complete the renovation work, the regular ReStore volunteers have been the champions of patience and understanding, working in the construction noise, sawdust and continuous change. The volunteers are critical to the success of the ReStore – and we celebrate!

The stalwart Salvage Crew continues to dedicate themselves to the kitchen salvage. Assessing, dismantling, loading and delivering kitchens in all types of weather – week in and week out, this committed crew of volunteers is responsible for one of the ReStore's highest revenue-generating programs – and we celebrate!

The waste diversion programs were ramped up in 2010. These could not have been done without the support of our valued partners, staff and volunteers.

- Most successful of all was our **metal recycling program** where the waste is diverted from the landfill and brought to a recycling facility on a weekly basis.
- An **e-waste diversion program** in partnership with Greentec began for electronic equipment, computers and cell phones. Local residents can drop off equipment and we manage the disposal on their behalf.

From “salvaging” kitchen cabinets and counters when people renovate, to numerous back room roles, to customer service, **Habitat's ReStore volunteers provide the support that enables all of Habitat's work in the community.**





# and Volunteers



• Another initiative rolled out this past year was the **paper-recycling program**. Partnering with Abitibi who provided a recycling bin for the property allows us to divert paper away from landfill.

These programs generated thousands of dollars in revenue this past year. Recycling has many benefits to the ReStore and the larger community. We are committed to continued growth of our environmental and ecological initiatives - and we celebrate!



The ReStore's revenue base grew by 18% from the previous year. Along with the loyal regulars who frequent the store monthly, weekly and even daily, the new clientele is mostly from the word-of-mouth of our dedicated shoppers. A common statement heard from these ReStore rookies is "I wish I'd heard about the ReStore long ago!" We are quickly breaking away from being Halton's best-kept secret - and we celebrate!



Despite the muscle-straining, never-ending work involved with running the ReStore, there are so many reasons to applaud: the most important being the opportunity to fund the vital work of Habitat for Humanity Halton. And so we celebrate!



The Perkins celebrate their gorgeous new kitchen: renovated utilizing imagination and materials purchased from the ReStore.

"The ReStore is one of my favorite shopping destinations. I LOVE my kitchen! It was remade from ReStore products. Now, you need to alert me when some of those fantastic bathroom inserts come in."

**Wendy Rae Perkins, ReStore Customer**





"The Oakville Trafalgar Home Depot loads a ReStore truck once a week with products we no longer need. It's a mutually beneficial relationship; they take product off our hands that would otherwise be a challenge for us to dispose of, and in the worst case, would end up in landfills. At the same time we are helping Habitat Halton build homes for families in need. In 2010, we also have had the pleasure of ReStore Manager, Maureen Champagne as a guest speaker at one of our store leadership meetings, which was very educational for our team."

**Bonnie Boyes, Home Depot Manager & ReStore Donor**

made up of volunteers, trades people, local shops, and the general public just like you and I. I donate and I love to shop there to see what you can find, and the prices WOW! You will be amazed! The funds generated by everyone's efforts go to an excellent cause: building affordable housing in our communities.

If you are looking for appliances, windows, doors, paint, hardware, cabinet, etc., check it out! And don't forget to donate quality reusable items and to give your support. I do, and I encourage others to do the same."

**Mrs. H. West, ReStore Customer**

"ReStore is a wonderful place to pitch in and make a difference...while making new friends and learning new skills."

**Lucille Gravel, Mortgage Operations Manager & ReStore Volunteer**

"Wanting to give back to the community, I looked at volunteer opportunities with Habitat since I'd been involved with a build many years ago. Much to my surprise I found the ReStore which I didn't know existed. Since joining Habitat last year, I've been involved with the store renovation and the Oakville build site. I enjoy working with Habitat's dedicated staff and volunteers, forming friendships, and watching our collective efforts materialize into something meaningful. Habitat offers many opportunities for the experienced builder as well as those who want to learn. And the ReStore is a DIY goldmine."

**Jeff Nugent, Human Resources Manager, Habitat Halton Build & ReStore Volunteer**

1 Taking a break with chocolate cake, to celebrate the 80th birthday of ReStore super-volunteer, Jim Todd.

2 The Neate's generous kitchen donation: removed by a ReStore salvage crew and sold to a happy ReStore customer.

3 Jeff Nugent hard at work completing a new wall for the exciting ReStore expansion project.

4 Peter Vanzeeland hard at work on the new Recognition Wall, part of the impressive expansion project.

5 Ken Grivel, a familiar sight on the ReStore expansion project.

"From my initial call to the ReStore, through to the assessor's visit to my home and the salvage crew's great job in removing my kitchen, I had a wonderful experience donating to the ReStore. It all worked out just perfectly, from start to finish... and I'm very happy my kitchen found a nice new home."

**Kimberley Neate, Homeowner & ReStore Donor**

"Don't go looking at the ReStore for a western-style elephant saddle... they never have any! But everything else is fair game. I should be required to have a signed letter from my wife to shop there, because I always leave with a treasure."

**Mike Walshaw, The Local Guy Contractor & ReStore Customer**

"Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, ReStore...Habitat for Humanity Represents Community! People coming together to help other less fortunate people. It is



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# Expanding Our Capacity to Care



## ReNewIt

Judy Worsley,  
Director, Partnerships  
& Planning,  
Habitat Halton

The ReNew *It* program is a repair and renovation initiative for low-income homeowners who reside in their own homes. These repairs or renovations must address one or more of the following in the home:

- A health and safety deficiency
- Accessibility requirements
- Increased energy efficiency to reduce expenses

The ReNew *It* program enables low-income owners like Fred and Jane to make needed updates and repairs. Pictured here, Habitat Halton volunteers install a new living room floor.



Qualified applicants are offered an interest-free loan, with monthly payments geared to income.

Fred and his partner, Jane, own a condo in Burlington. Both were working part-time jobs but couldn't afford to repair their bathroom or dangerous living room floors. "It was becoming a health and safety issue for us," said Fred. "The mould was really affecting our allergies and it was only getting worse." The bathroom received a complete overhaul with tub enclosure and sealing of the floor. Fred said that "they had a great experience with the volunteers and the job was completed over one weekend." Now Fred and Jane live in a mould free home with safe floors, and do not have to worry about the effect on their health and safety.

The goal of the ReNew *It* program is to enable low-income homeowners to refurbish and to reclaim their homes with pride and dignity by providing an interest free loan with payments based on their income.



## HomeWORKS

Financial literacy, and the knowledge, skills and confidence to make responsible financial decisions, is more important than ever. Canada's debt-to-disposable income ratio is now higher than it has been in a very long time with the average Canadian owing \$1.48 for every \$1 of disposable income.\*

The HomeWORKS program delivers free workshops to help develop financial skills for new and potential home owners.



At Habitat for Humanity Halton, the newly launched HomeWORKS program will help develop the financial skills needed to buy, operate and live in a home through a series of educational modules that include: building a budget, managing your money, understanding insurance, maintaining your home, and being a good neighbour. The program is open to anyone who is facing budgetary challenges, tenants who are thinking of buying their own home and those who are interested in learning how to care for and maintain their homes.

Conveniently here in Halton and free of charge, HomeWORKS is the program to help manage finances and get ready for home ownership.

*\*Source: Social and Enterprise Development Innovations (SEDI), Task Force on Financial Literacy, Toronto, February 9, 2010.*

# Celebrating Volunteers

Mirela Vukosa  
Giannidis  
Coordinator of  
Volunteer Services,  
Habitat Halton

Last year we reported on the “Campaign for Two Lots” describing how Habitat volunteers, staff and board members had worked together to achieve the goal of acquiring Oakville land to build. This year we would like take the time to report on this great achievement and how this provided two wonderful, beautiful homes for two Oakville families.

Consistent leads in all  
Habitat Halton builds:  
Austin Knowlton (left)  
and Charles Bett.

These two Oakville homes were completed with the help of over 850 volunteers and over 7,000 of their volunteer hours. The volunteers on site for these builds included people from all walks of life - students, retirees, self-employed, full-time employed, church groups, associations and several Adopt-A-Day corporate groups. With every measurement, cut, nail and screw that each person put into the houses, they also poured their love and sweat into the two homes.

The houses were constructed to a very high standard; they are Habitat Halton’s very first build meeting the “Built Green” gold standard. This means the homes were built using products and techniques that were sustainable and resource-efficient resulting in an environmentally friendly construction.

The final stages of the build were made possible by the exceptional Crew Leaders with heartfelt gratitude to each of their crews, namely, the siding, trim, flooring, painting, deck building, cleanup, evening and weekend build crews, and to those who managed all the snacks and lunches. Everyone made significant efforts to get the homes ready in time for the dedication that took place on Sunday, December 12, 2010. These homes are true symbols of the celebration of volunteerism in Halton!

*“It felt as though my hands were praying. Not just because they were so sore after hammering all day, it was because I knew that together with our synagogue members we were not only building a house, we were also building a dream for a family in need. Judaism is about putting faith into action, and there is no better form of tzedakah (charity) than giving a family a helping hand up.”*  
Rabbi Stephen Wise, Shaarei Beth-El Synagogue.







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**Derek Mletzko**  
Marketing &  
Communications  
Coordinator,  
Habitat for Humanity  
Canada

On May 29, 2010, Habitat for Humanity Halton held its annual Volunteer Recognition event at the Burlington Public Library. The purpose was to acknowledge the contribution and accomplishments of the 1,076 Habitat for Humanity Halton volunteers that contributed 16,305 hours of their time in 2009, making building the Peel Street homes and operating the ReStore and the administrative office possible.

These awards recognize volunteers whose dedication, passion and tireless efforts have proven truly outstanding over the course of the past year. Recognized at the event were Habitat for Humanity Halton's 2010 award recipients.



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1 Ed McMahon  
Chair, Habitat Halton Board  
of Directors.

including award recipient  
Fiona Thompson.

2 Board Vice-Chair Lynn  
Fergusson shows our  
on-going appreciation to  
Special Service Volunteer  
Charles Betts for his many  
years of construction  
leadership.

4 Volunteer Bob Burwell  
celebrates his 2010 Habitat  
Committee Volunteer  
Award with former  
Development Associate  
Natalie Charette.

6 ReStore Manager  
Maureen Champagne  
brings a glow to Brian  
Ryder's cheeks as they  
celebrate his ReStore  
Volunteer of the Year  
Award. Brian is key to  
organizing our extensive  
paint selection.



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3 Former volunteer  
coordinator Deanna  
Smuk, and former Family  
Partnering & Operations  
Coordinator Lynn  
Petrizzella  
organized an excellent  
event to ensure an  
enjoyable day for all,

5 Habitat Halton  
Volunteers Maureen Barry  
(CEO of Burlington Library),  
Rob Fairweather and Alan  
Reid, after receiving her  
Ontario Volunteer Service  
Award 2010 for her long-  
time support of Habitat  
Halton in our communities.

7 Habitat Halton staff held  
a one-day Annual Planning  
Session in the Kerr St.  
Ministries's Boardroom  
in January. We engaged  
Mike Brush to facilitate.  
Pictured here from left  
to right: Front row: Anne  
Swarbrick, Executive  
Director; Angela Goldrup,  
Coordinator of Marketing  
and Communications;  
Judy Worsley, Director  
of Partnerships and  
Planning; Mirela Vukosa  
Giannidis, Coordinator  
of Volunteer Services;  
Maureen Champagne,  
ReStore Manager. Back  
row: Susan Goetz, Finance  
Officer; Sharon Arsenault,  
Executive Assistant and  
Office Administrator;  
Mike Brush, Management  
Consultant; and Tom  
Westermann, Construction  
Manager.



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The Board of Director's strategy for 2009 - 2013 is to "Grow Our Impact". It includes:

- Moving to multi-unit builds, such as the Appleby Multi-Res Project
- Diversifying our programs, e.g. ReNew It and HomeWORKS.

Pictured from left to right are 2010/2011 Board Members: Front row: Ed McMahon, Chair and Anne Swarbrick, ED; back row: John Mulholland, Stephen Ellis, Hugh Hyndman, Lynn Fergusson, Gord Robb, Adrienne Benkson and Kelly Yerxa (missing: Rob Kirby and Mike Swartz).

### 2010 Habitat Halton Volunteer-of-the-Year Awards

Charles Bett  
Special Service

Bob Burwell  
Marketing Committee

Austin Knowlton  
Construction

Della Redwood  
The Peter and Jane Fisher Award

Brian Ryder  
ReStore

Fiona Thompson  
Administration

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### 2010 Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration Volunteer Service Awards

Barbara Ross  
8 years

Sheila Bengert  
6 years

Gerry Bengert  
6 years

Ed McMahon  
6 years

Bernice Palmer  
6 years

Jim Todd  
6 years

### 2010/2011 Standing Committee Chairs

#### Board Committees

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Finance, Audit and Risk

Ed McMahon  
Governance

#### Operating Committees

Tracey Pingle  
Family Partnering

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Gifts in Kind

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Susan Goetz (2010)  
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Mulvale (2011)  
Property Development

Angela Wintar  
Volunteer Relations

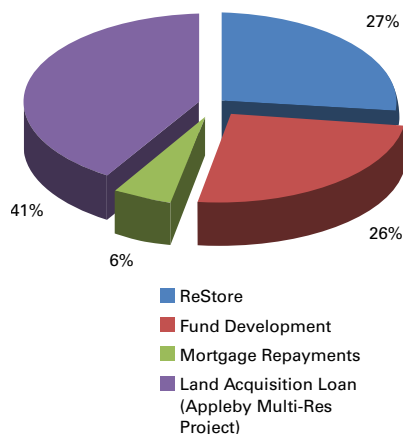
# Financial Summary



## Statement of Financial Position

As at December 31

### Cash Inflows



### ASSETS

	2010	2009
Cash	\$485,944	\$505,662
Accounts Receivable	125,480	103,984
Inventory, refundable deposits and prepaid expenses	53,471	67,400
Properties held for resale and building in progress	3,189,189	650,812
Mortgages receivable	758,789	850,459
Capital assets	59,364	35,257

### TOTAL ASSETS

**4,672,237** **2,213,574**

### LIABILITIES

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$119,552	\$106,648
Mortgage Payable	1,489,433	-

### TOTAL LIABILITIES

**1,608,985** **106,948**

### NET ASSETS

Invested in housing	\$2,458,545	\$1,501,271
Invested in capital assets	59,364	35,257
Unrestricted	545,343	570,398

### TOTAL NET ASSETS

**3,063,252** **2,106,926**

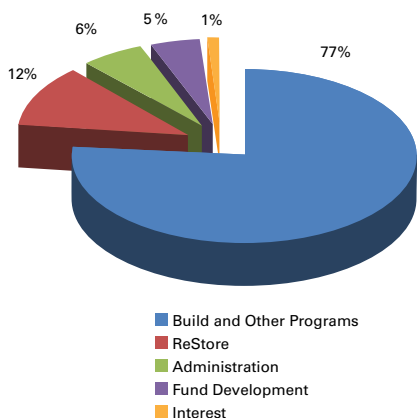
### TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

**4,672,237** **2,213,574**

## Statement of Operations

As at December 31

### Cash Outflows



### REVENUE

	2010	2009
Donations, special events, grants	\$979,203	\$316,692
ReStore (Net contribution)	537,996	390,489

### TOTAL REVENUE

**1,517,199** **707,181**

### EXPENSES

Administration and amortization	\$407,273	\$330,221
Program costs	276,206	177,559
Tithe for international programs	17,411	15,034

### TOTAL EXPENSES

**700,890** **522,814**

### EXCESS OF REVENUE BEFORE THE FOLLOWING

Mortgages receivable discount	\$816,309	\$184,367
	28,040	51,070

Excess of carrying value of property over amounts to be realized/received	-	(35,599)
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Gain on property repurchased	-	75,011
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Gain on repayment of second mortgage/reversal of write down	111,977	-
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Other income (expense)	-	108
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### EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES

**\$956,326** **\$274,957**

2010 audited statements are available on request.



# Thank You Community Partners

The individuals and organizations whose names you see on this list all share something in common. Like Habitat for Humanity Halton, they believe in a world where everyone has a safe and decent place to live. We are grateful for the support of our Community Partners, whether it was through cash, sponsorship, our Adopt-A-Day program, ReStore donations and/or in-kind gifts, your investment is helping to make the Halton Region a stronger, more vibrant community. We salute you for your commitment to our community and welcome your on-going participation.

Recognition is based on 2010 annual donation(s) only.

## Platinum and Title Level \$100,000 and above



Habitat Halton would like to thank Home Depot, our largest ReStore contributor.



## Silver Level \$50,000 - \$69,999



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1 Rosehaven Homes representative Heather Weeks (2nd from left) delivers their contribution to (L to R) Maureen Champagne, ReStore Manager; Anne Swarbrick, Executive Director; Anne Maslowski, Director, Development; and Angela Goldrup, Coordinator Marketing and Communications.

2 Glen Abbey United Church Dinner Dance (L to R): Jennifer Bottrill; Anne Maslowski, Director, Development, Habitat Halton; Dan Puklicz; Lynn Fergusson, Vice-Chair, Board of Directors, Habitat Halton; Rev. Dr. Jeff Crittenden, and Paul Peters

3 Oakville Firefighters bagged and carried groceries in exchange for shoppers' donations and raised \$1,800. L to R: Oakville resident, Vic Vescio, who organized the event; Firefighter Kurt Merriman; Habitat Halton Executive Director, Anne Swarbrick; and supportive Fortinos Store Manager, Kevin Folley.





# Celebrating Our Oakville Builds



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1 Partner family signing with representatives of generous Title Sponsor Genworth Financial Canada.

2 Board member Stephen Ellis's smile and that of Oakville Councillor Alan Johnston chatting with Councillor Ralph Robinson, reflect the good feeling following the Mayor's spring reception for Habitat Halton. We introduced the Mayor and Council to the partner families and shared details of the planned builds.

3 Harley Ranson and Teresa Ellison demonstrate some of the range of skills in finishing the homes.

4 Thank you to Title Sponsor Whirlpool Canada through representative Debbie Prior, Assistant Brand Manager, for their generous support.

5 Thank you to FCT for their generosity as the exclusive sponsor of the ReStore's renovation expansion. Anne Swarbrick, Habitat Halton Executive Director; Michael LeBlanc, Senior Vice-President, FCT; Sharon Laurie, Director Marketing FCT; and Ed McMahon, Chair, Board of Directors, Habitat Halton.

6 Board member Mike Swartz (right) joins "Santa Tom" (McFadden) as some of our top Crew Leaders on the Oakville builds.





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**Painting of one of the finished  
Oakville homes, donated by local  
artist Melissa Devine.**



**Toronto Dominion team-building on  
a purchased "Adopt-A-Day"  
in support of Habitat Halton's work.**



**From left to right: Anne Swarbrick, Executive Director  
and Julie Taylor our youngest donor.**

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