

Habitat for Humanity[®] of Porter County

Building Hope Summer Newsletter



Volunteer



Dorothea Snyder

Dorothea Snyder has been volunteering for about 5 years and has worked on the buildout of 4 homes. She is a full-time Realtor with Coldwell Banker.

"Helping first time buyers is a special joy. There are so many challenges for the first time buyer to get through, and it can be even more intimidating for a low-income family, trying to buy their first home. I have had the privilege to serve as a mentor, working with the selected family through the many design decisions they must make, and monitoring that the family stays on track financially through the process. There is no greater reward than watching a family accept the keys to a place they will call home."

Dorothea Shares Her Blueprint for Building Hope...

Years of Service: 5 years

Connection to Habitat for Humanity: I began volunteering because, as a Realtor, I saw how serious the housing shortage was for low income families.

What inspires you to continue to serve: I love the integrity and dedication of the Habitat administrators, and the community volunteers in filling a vital housing need with generational impact on the new homeowners' families.

Favorite power tool or on-site construction task and why: A broom! I stick to keeping the construction site clean and tidy, since my skill with power tools is non-existent! There's a job for every volunteer, regardless of skills.

Donate



MONTHLY GIVING PROGRAM LAUNCHES

[*Habitat Key Supporters](#) is our **Monthly Giving Program** consisting of a group of our **most valued partners dedicated to supporting our mission** and helping families secure safe and affordable housing in their communities. By making automatic donations each month, Key Supporters assist us by making it easier for Habitat to plan long-term and create more life-transforming outcomes for local families in need.

Monthly givers choose how much to give monthly, and can update that amount as needed at any time. Habitat will make sure your donation is being put to immediate use where it is needed most to serve more hardworking families needing access to affordable housing!

By becoming a **Habitat Key Supporter** and committing to consistent monthly support, you are putting your financial donation directly into the hands of those in need and **becoming the key to our mission!**

ATTAINABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP TAX CREDIT PROGRAM

*Don't forget about [Attainable Homeownership Tax Credit!](#)

The AHTC program lets taxpayers donate to Habitat for Humanity of Indiana benefiting the Porter County affiliate and receive half of that amount back in the form of a tax credit. **This credit directly lowers your Indiana state tax liability on your 2025 Indiana income tax bill.**

This allows you to choose where your tax dollars are invested and helps Habitat bring families the stability that only a home can provide. Since the start of the AHTC program, **taxpayers across Indiana have given over \$4 million to Habitat for Humanity!** This has resulted in approximately **50 additional homes built or repaired** which helps **over 200 people**. **If we raise all \$8 million in tax credits, this will result in 100 additional homes and around 400 people served!**

Questions about this tax credit program? **Please email Samantha Fisher:**

sfisher@portercountyhabitat.org or (312) 718-2459. We appreciate your generosity and support to help us build up our community for hardworking neighbors in need of affordable homeownership.

LUNCH SPONSORS NEEDED

*We are looking for individuals, groups or families to help us offset the growing cost of building in Porter County by **sponsoring lunch** on a build day for our 15-20 person volunteer work crew during our Summer or Fall build. Lunches can be boxed, bagged, or family style. **Please email Charis at mail@portercountyhabitat.org for more information.**

Get Involved



PART-TIME CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISOR OPPORTUNITY

We are looking for more than someone who is a knowledgeable construction worker. The right fit for [this job](#) will be organized, can teach volunteers including those with little to no construction experience, believes that everyone deserves a decent and safe place to live, and who is passionate about helping others and the community we are located in. If interested, please contact our office to learn more: mail@portercountyhabitat.org or (219) 531-0359.

SKILL-BASED COMMITTEE SUPPORT

We are looking for skill-based volunteers to support Development, Marketing, and Construction Committee needs of our mission. These roles can be remote and / or on-site to accommodate your availability. Below are current Committee project needs. If interested please contact our office to learn more: mail@portercountyhabitat.org or (219) 531-0359.

Development Committee Project Needs: Donor Development, Corporate Giving, Special Event Support

Marketing Committee Project Needs: Social Media and Graphic Design Support

Construction Committee Project Needs: Construction Material Donation and Land Lot Search Support