



A place to watch our children grow,  
 form lasting memories, enjoy meals together,  
 make memories with family and friends,  
 that's HOME



**Abdul and Maimunah** will soon learn what that means. They are ready to leave behind all the struggles of living in a small two bedroom apartment as a family of five. They are excited to be able to provide a safe home for their son Ahmad who has Spina Bifida and is confined to a wheel chair. Their current living situation is not handicap accessible, and makes everyday living more demanding. In their two bedroom apartment, one bedroom is dedicated to Ahmad and his medical equipment. The room other is shared by Abdul, Miamunah and their other two sons. They use their living area as a kitchen, dining room, and living space. The couple and their sons have little room for homework, play, and relaxation.

With the help of Habitat volunteers, Abdul and Miamunah are looking forward to being able to give their children a new home that will be handicap accessible, and offer space the children need to complete their homework, play, and become part of the community.

**A donation from you will help families like Abdul and Miamunah's**, and help support our Critical Home Repair Program. The program offers continued assistance to the veterans and seniors in our community whose homes are in need of repairs. Since 2012, we have helped thirty lower income seniors disabled, and veteran families. We plan to help another five to ten families with critical repair jobs this year.



Abdul, Maimunah helping to build their home and provide a better future for their boys.

**Bob and Peggy** heard about Habitat's Critical Home Repair program from the Lowell Council on Aging and submitted an application to help repair their home after losing their home insurance. "We just never thought we'd be in a situation like this, asking for help," said Bob. Bob had left his job to take care of his wife Peggy full time, and with the work Habitat did on their leaking roof, removing an oil tank from the basement, and repairing their front walkway, their home insurance was reinstated.



Bob & Peggy helped by Habitat Critical Home Repair Program.

They are so grateful for the work we were able to provide them, and they are happy knowing that they can age in their home knowing which is now safe again. Peggy called to say, **"we are so pleased and happy with all the work and so grateful to Habitat for helping us get our homeowner's insurance back. We just cant say enough good things about Habitat."**

Working together, we are providing local families with a hand-up. Our impact on the community is allowing us to build six new homes currently in Tewksbury, Lowell, and Westford. We continue our commitment to revitalizing the Acre neighborhood of Lowell with the addition of a small park and community garden. It's shaping up to be a great year, and we appreciate your continued support!

There is so much tragedy in our country and world today that it is hard to understand. But working together we can make a positive impact on local families. A Habitat home provides a strong foundation for a family, an opportunity on which they can build a better life.

Better, affordable living conditions lead to improved health, stronger childhood development and the ability, and financial flexibility to make forward looking choices. Strong and stable homes help build strong and stable communities. With an affordable home, Esther's family will be able to spend more on food, medicine, education and other everyday essentials.



Esther is all smiles waiting for her Habitat home.

**Habitat Lowell is partnering with Tewksbury Habitat Build group to use your donation to help children like Esther and her family, have a decent place to live and build long-term financial security.**

Let us help make your holiday shopping experience the best ever and the one that leaves you feeling good by choosing the gift that keeps on giving! Celebrate the holiday season by giving locally to Habitat for Humanity of Greater Lowell.

**If you are struggling to decide where to donate this year, please know that your donation will support a local family here in Tewksbury as well as part of our tithing support for hurricane victims in Texas, Florida and Puerto Rico. We are a grass root organization, with no financial assistance from Habitat for Humanity International and rely on local funding. Can we count on you this year to help build strength, stability, and self-reliance through shelter?**

All of us here at Habitat for Humanity of Greater Lowell thank you!

In partnership,

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Executive Director  
Habitat for Humanity Greater Lowell

Bruce Panilaitis,  
President  
Tewksbury Habitat Build

**Every hand, every voice, every child, and every person makes a difference and THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO BE THE DIFFERENCE!**

**No amount is too small or too large. Please Donate today.**

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