



Meet a homeowner helped by the Repair Program

The story of Mary by Heather Gibson, Repair Program Specialist



As seniors living on limited income and resources, Mary and her husband Howard saw their home repair list mounting and the need for Aging in Place accommodations rising. A family friend graciously referred them to Habitat Susquehanna's Repair Program.

The couple has resided in Edgewood for over 20 years and their wish was to continue living safely and securely on their own. By partnering with Habitat Susquehanna, we were able to use funding through our **Lowe's Aging in Place grant** and successfully help them improve their quality of life. The accessibility improvements included installing shower grab bars and raised toilets, replacing various doors, and administering a front porch railing. Lastly, we were able to efficiently convert their tub for easier access. As a result of these repairs, Mary and Howard can feel more comfortable accessing all areas of their home and can continue having the comfort of living safely in the home where they've built their lives.

We appreciate all of the generous donors, sponsors, individuals, businesses, faith groups, and others, who have supported our Repair Program families in

the belief that everyone deserves a safe and stable home! For more info on the critical home repairs and weatherization work we do for low-income families in Harford & Cecil counties, visit our [website](#).

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Sep 27

5-7 PM

4th Annual HBN Fundraiser for
Habitat Susquehanna
Alecraft Brewery, Bel Air

Last year, over 50 people attended this Happy Hour event sponsored by the **Harford Business Network!** Together we raised almost \$2,000 towards helping people build or improve the place they call home.

Tickets are only \$15 in advance and include a ½ price beer ticket, and delicious food donated by **Crossroads Bistro**, raffles, games and great networking. To purchase tickets, visit our [website](#).

We hope to see you there!



Community Builders 2022 (Volunteer Appreciation Event)

We recently held a ceremony to recognize our volunteers who received the President's Volunteer Service Award. (It was for the hours put in by our volunteers in 2021, by the number of hours served.)

Today and every day, we thank our volunteers for their support!

Congrats to the following:

GOLD (500+ hours)

Marlene Slade
Roger Dorr
Barbara Godbolt
John Heijl

SILVER (250-499 hours)

Art Pokorny
Jeff Poulton



Jim Rosner
Joe Hartka
Rob Hart
Cathey Roberston
Skip Lepone
Randy Benedict

BRONZE (100-239 hours)

Chris Ennis
Gary Willan
Chuck Clow
John Buck
Kit Murphy
Pat Gilligan
Bil Carson
Hazel Hopkins
Andreia Kelley
Nancy Gillis
Jim Campbell
Joe Rubino

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Sue Nappi
Bob Orndorf

Habitat Susquehanna committee members, board members and photographers were also acknowledged at the event for their roles in supporting our mission.



PICTURED (top to bottom): La Banque de Fleuve venue where the event was held; the Community Builders 2022 event's coordinators John Lanigan and Ashley Hall with Executive Director Yvonne Golczewski; and, Habitat Susquehanna's Board members.

A big thank you goes to Havre de Grace's La Banque de Fleuve for once again gifting us the use of their beautiful tented waterfront venue!

A special thank you also goes to **Jaime Bakes** for donating the delicious desserts!

Visit our [Facebook page](#) for the event's photo album.

October Events: Save the Date

Oct 1 Cecil Cares Day

We're in the planning stages of Cecil Cares Day -- a countywide day of service in Cecil County.

We'll be looking for volunteers interested in helping us do outside work (like the one pictured here of last year's Cecil Cares Day event supporting Bayside Community Network).

For questions, contact **Heather Gibson** at our Repair Program, at hgibson@habitatsusq.org.




Oct 23
5PM
Fall Feast
The Wellwood, Charlestown

Our **Fall Feast** is only a month away, and we're pleased to have **ODEC** as our \$5K headlining sponsor!

WXCY's **Tim Hartley** has once again agreed to be our emcee for the event, and we'll be holding our traditional pumpkin carving competition for the sponsors! There'll also be line dancing, face painting, a kids' costume contest, and MORE!

Thank you to **IKEA** for your sponsorship of \$500! We're looking for more sponsors for this event, so please contact **John Lanigan** at janigan@habitatsusq.org.



Fall Feast
October 23, 2022 5PM
at
The Wellwood
523 Water St, Charlestown, MD
A NIGHT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Habitat for Humanity Susquehanna provides low-income Cecil and Harford County residents with an array of support services including financial literacy programs, a homeownership program for individuals who might not otherwise qualify for home ownership through traditional platforms, and a comprehensive repair program to assist with critical home repairs that enable applicants to stay in their homes.

HEADLINING SPONSOR:
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Generation Facility
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EMCEE FOR THE NIGHT
TIM HARTLEY
FROM
WXCY 103.7
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Tickets: \$60 per adult \$20 per child (12 and under)
ENJOY A DELICIOUS BBQ BUFFET, WELLWOOD'S FAMOUS FRIED CHICKEN, PUMPKIN CONTEST, & LINE DANCING LESSON PROVIDED BY ROB HOLLEY
KIDS ARE WELCOME TO WEAR COSTUMES - THERE WILL BE FACE PAINTING, CANDY, A COSTUME CONTEST, AND MORE!

To purchase tickets, sponsorships, or for any questions please contact John at janigan@habitatsusq.org or go to: habitatsusq.org/fallfeast/

[tickets to Fall Feast](#)

Oct 29
11AM - 3PM
Aberdeen ReStore's Trunk or Treat

We're so excited to announce the next **Aberdeen ReStore Trunk or Treat** event! Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 29th! The event is always held in our side parking lot and in the past, local businesses have participated in handing out candy to kiddies from their decorated trunks! There will also be face painting, a food truck, and many decorated cars and trucks! We're still in the planning stages, but we hope to see lots of children dressed in their Halloween costumes for this special event!



To view the details, visit our ReStore's [Facebook page](#)!

Sponsor Spotlights

Thank you to the following generous sponsors:

APG Federal Credit Union: Thank you to **APGFCU** and its **Community Involvement Committee** for the \$30K in recognition for -- and to support the efforts of -- Habitat Susquehanna's "good work in our community." We are so

thankful for the longtime support given to us by APGFCU. Did you know that our ties to APGFCU started almost 30 years ago when two of its members, Charles Alston and Clarence Fry, became the founders of our nonprofit?!

WELLS FARGO: We thank **Wells Fargo** for its generous support of \$10K to help purchase the necessary construction materials to build two "Habi-Tech" houses. Your support will help local families purchase a decent and affordable place to call home.

NORA ROBERTS FOUNDATION: We received a \$5K gift from the **Nora Roberts Foundation (NRF)** in support of our mission. Your generosity helps a family build independence!

ERIE INSURANCE: The **Erie Insurance - Silver Spring Branch** gave us a grant of \$1K towards our "Habi-Tech" homes program! The "Habi-Tech" homes are Habitat houses built in partnership with the **Harford Technical High School** and the **Cecil County School of Technology**. Working on these home projects -- under the guidance of school instructors -- teaches students across the trades programs -- such as carpentry, plumbing, electrical, and HVAC -- multiple aspects of home design and construction. The generosity of our donors helps change lives for generations!

FALLSTON WALMART: We thank the **Fallston Walmart** for the recent \$500 grant award in support of our "Habi-Tech" home builds. (This information is a correction to last month's Spotlights entry.) Through shelter, we empower!

When you give to Habitat, your support changes lives every day!

