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Recent Cities RISE event draws more than 150 volunteers and serves 25 homeowners

East Elmira was a-buzz with volunteers at the last Cities RISE neighborhood clean-up. Front steps were replaced, railings repaired, porches painted, lawns weeded, and trash removed by volunteers of all ages, including a group of students from Broadway School. Teams from several organizations participated: BOCES, Able 2, Sportsman’s Warehouse, First Presbyterian of Elmira, Alternatives FCU, Horseheads Wesleyan Church, Runway for a Cause and Bethany Lutheran Church. The outpouring of community support for this project was phenomenal. See below for details on the next Cities RISE event.



Next Cities RISE Community Clean-Up Set for Sept 23 and 24

Chemung County Habitat for Humanity (CCHFH) and the City of Elmira have teamed up again to organize a community clean-up project. The event is scheduled for Friday, September 23rd and Saturday, September 24th from 9 a.m. until Noon in south Elmira. The focus area is between Falck St., Spaulding St., and Maple Ave.

If you would like to volunteer for this event, you may register online at www.chemungcountyhabitat.org/news-events.

The City of Elmira was one of several New York municipalities that received grant funding for community revitalization projects as part of the statewide Cities RISE program.

Women Build 2022

Inspiring! Transformative! Uplifting! **Bold!**



The atmosphere was filled with enthusiasm, hope... and lots of DUST, as more than 50 volunteers brought down walls and filled up dumpsters at this year's Women Build. Guest speaker, Mary Robinson, CEO of Habitat for Humanity New York, inspired the group of women to help Habitat address the current housing crisis. "We are part of the solution," she said. Habitat is hard at work providing safe, affordable housing for communities around the state.

Volunteers worked diligently at clearing debris from the large yard and removing old plaster walls throughout the house, located on Standish Street in Elmira. The house will one day be home to a Habitat partner family.



Many blessings to you in your "new" home! ♥



THANK YOU!

This year's WOMEN BUILD sponsors: • Barn Livin'
 • Chemung Supply • Mengel Metzger Barr • Vitality Salon
 • Melissa Bauco with Keller Williams • JR Medical Aesthetics & Wellness • Soul Ease Medical Massage • Endless Mountains Maple

Local businesses donate to Habitat for Humanity

We're grateful to a community that supports our organization and the families we serve here in Chemung County. Thank you to the following local businesses for their generous donations:

- Elmira-Corning Regional Board Of Realtors
- Hilliard Corporation
- Kennedy Valve
- Perry & Carroll
- Traveler's Insurance
- DuPont
- Weis Market
- Salient
- Avengrid



From the director's desk

By Emily Barrett, Executive Director

When your reason to get up in the morning is to make an impact on the world, you will wake up excited; and excited people make the biggest differences!

I want to invite you to join me in being a part of the change that is so desperately needed in Chemung County. Help us win the fight within our communities to break generational cycles of poverty, homelessness, and hopelessness, and replace them with building affordable homes, creating opportunities, and fostering hope for all.

We have volunteer opportunities of all kinds on our build sites, in our office, and at events. Plus, we have an ongoing need for donors and sponsors for our home builds and events. We also have a few job opportunities. Let us know how you want to impact Chemung County today.

I can't wait to see the change that WE can make in our small corner of the world—they say that it takes a village, and I am so grateful that you are part of ours.

Many Blessings,

Emily Barrett
Executive Director



Habitat home dedication ceremony held in June



Pictured above, Chantel Rudolph and two of her three children, celebrated their new home on W. Hudson St. in Elmira during a dedication ceremony held on June 13th. There were lots of smiles! The family was presented with housewarming gifts from the Elmira-Corning Jr. League and from Victory Highway Church.

In attendance were Habitat staff and board members, Mayor Dan Mandell and Pastor Glover, who offered a blessing.

We all wish them much happiness as they start making memories in their new home.



www.dougsfishfry.com

Monday, September 19
11:00 a.m.- 6:00 p.m.

At the Elmira Community Kitchen
160 High St

(Across from the Habitat office)

To Benefit: Chemung County
Habitat for Humanity

To call and place orders until 4:00
please call (607) 753-9184 ext 2

Corporate groups volunteer at Habitat build sites

Groups have been signing up to work at our build sites to help rehab our homes. We build year-round and welcome volunteers of all skills and backgrounds. The only requirement is that you come to the site ready and willing to learn and work.

Our supervisors are poised and ready to teach and train groups or individuals, and we want your volunteer experience to be as rewarding and productive as it is for us.

Construction tasks include framing, hanging drywall, painting, laying flooring, landscaping, plumbing, electrical work and even installing the kitchen sink.

Experience first-hand how we put donations to work and how you can be a part of the affordable housing solution.



WE LOVE
OUR VOLUNTEERS

Habitat volunteers recognized for dedication and hours of service at home build sites

The following volunteers were recently recognized for putting in their hard work and time—again and again—at our Habitat build sites, and they achieved notable milestones within our volunteer recognition program:

GOLD LEVEL (100-199 Hours)
Rick Powell

SILVER LEVEL (50-99 Hours)
John Bowman, Gary Chollet,
Werner Zurcher

BRONZE LEVEL (20-49 Hours)
Hans Applet, Tom Goetz,
Alison Herman

TITANIUM LEVEL (10-19 Hours)
Clayton Vasey

HOW YOU CAN HELP BUILD HOPE

DONATE

No gift is too small.

Ask us how you can sign up for recurring monthly gifts of \$5 or more. Donate online at:

www.chemungcountyhabitat.org/donate

or mail a check to:

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VOLUNTEER

Skilled and unskilled volunteers are invited to work at our build site. Give us a call at (607) 734-1361 or visit www.chemungcountyhabitat.org/volunteer

REFER A FAMILY

If you know a family that might benefit from our homeownership program, send them our way... www.chemungcountyhabitat.org/homeownership