



## Habitat CFC's July 2016 Newsletter



Dear Friends,

The temperature may be soaring well into the 90's, but, as you will see from this newsletter, there have been no lazy, hazy days of summer here at Habitat CFC! Our belief that every family deserves a decent, affordable place to live is unwavering, and our work simply cannot stop, even temporarily, when we recognize the extent of the need. Fortunately, the commitment of volunteers, generosity of donors and dedication of staff allow us to keep moving forward with purpose and passion!

The good news is that your contributions really are making a real difference for our hard working neighbors. So far this year we have moved 10 families into new homes and we have 5 getting ready to move in the next few weeks! And with fall quickly approaching, we expect to complete work on 7 homes currently in process and begin construction shortly on 4 more.

It is truly a privilege to help deserving families move toward bright futures in the stability, comfort and security of their brand new homes. Thank you so much for making it possible!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Stuart D. Adelberg".

**Stuart D. Adelberg**  
Chief Executive Officer

[donate today](#)



## Single Story Accessible Habitat CFC home in Stratford Dedicated

Our Stratford home has been dedicated! The future homeowners will be Daisy Alberto and Oscar Morales, and their two children.

Living conditions in their current apartment are poor and make life difficult, especially for their daughter Eileen who was stricken with meningitis at the age of 9. Eileen left the hospital unable to speak and using a wheelchair. The doctors said that she would never be able to walk, but the family has watched her defy the odds by first crawling and then learning to walk on a limited basis with assistance. While speech is still difficult, she is improving.

Each day, Daisy and Oscar carry their daughter up and down the stairs of their second floor apartment so she can attend school. Daisy also must bring the heavy wheelchair upstairs each evening due to the likelihood of it being stolen if they leave it on the first floor. Daisy and Oscar have faith that over time her condition will continue to improve but in the meantime, feel relieved to have the opportunity to purchase a single story accessible home that has been customized by Habitat CFC just for them.

Photos are posted on our Facebook page [here](#).

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## Record Number of Volunteers!

What a summer we've had so far... collegiate, corporate and faith groups continue to schedule time to help us build more homes in Coastal Fairfield County! We've had a record number of volunteers for the second month in a row.

Thanks to all the groups as well as individuals who have taken time out of their busy schedules to work on our build sites alongside our future homeowners.

**Haven't volunteered yet this year?** Check [here](#) for more information on volunteering for Habitat CFC.



St. Kateri's Parish Group



## Habitat for Heroes House Dedication

Now that we have held a home dedication ceremony for our Habitat for Heroes sponsored home, Esteban Romero, a retired carpenter and Vietnam War veteran, his wife Gloria, and their two children will move in soon!

Drafted at age 27, Esteban served with the Army's 185th Maintenance Battalion providing supply and maintenance support to units in the Long-Binh Bien Hoa complex from 1966 to 1968 before being transferred to the Army Reserves. For years, Esteban and Gloria have seen Habitat CFC homes under construction in Bridgeport, but never imagined that they could one day move into one of their own. "The program, gives me the chance to provide for my family with the happiness and peace of mind that comes with owning a home. I am eager to let other veterans know that it's never too late to get back on their feet," said Esteban Romero.

"Our Habitat for Heroes program encourages Veterans to apply to become homeowners and volunteer to help other Veterans. As troops return from service, attention should be focused on ways to honor all Veterans and support the transition of returning service members, especially given the limited availability of affordable housing," said Eileen Bakos, Manager of Volunteer Services at Habitat CFC.

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## Habitat Annual Picnic

We couldn't have asked for more wonderful weather for our annual picnic where Habitat homeowners, future homeowners, the Habitat Board and staff enjoyed Beardsley Park, conversation and great food!

More photos of the event are available [here](#).





## events

### GOLF TIME!

Registration is now open for Habitat CFC's

**23rd Annual  
Benefit Annual GolfOuting and Cocktail  
Reception, Dinner Buffet**

**Thursday, September 22, 2016**

**TheCountry Club of Fairfield**

**10:30am (tee off noon)  
5:00pm cocktail reception,dinner buffet**

Golf tickets available for full day, tickets also available for cocktail reception and dinner buffet only for non-golfing guests.



[register here!](#)

### RUN TIME!

Registration is now open for Habitat's

**19th Annual  
5K Run for Home  
and new WorkBoot Challenge!**

Saturday, October 8, 2016

Seaside Park, Bridgeport

9:00am Race Start

10:00am Kids' Relay



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register here!

## GOURMET TASTING TIME!

SAVE THE DATE for Habitat CFC's

8th Annual Gourmet Tasting!

Thursday, October 27, 2016

at Aitoro Appliances, Norwalk!



more information here

## ReStore

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To stay up-to-date on the ReStore happenings and daily inventory updates check the ReStore Facebook page [here](#). Some current finds...



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