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San Luis Valley
Habitat for Humanity®
NEWSLETTER

Habitat for Humanity is a housing ministry providing affordable housing with God's people everywhere. Our goal is to eliminate poverty housing worldwide. Habitat for Humanity partners with very low-income families and provides homeownership opportunities with no-profit, 0% interest mortgages.

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Spring Break - Collegiate Challenge



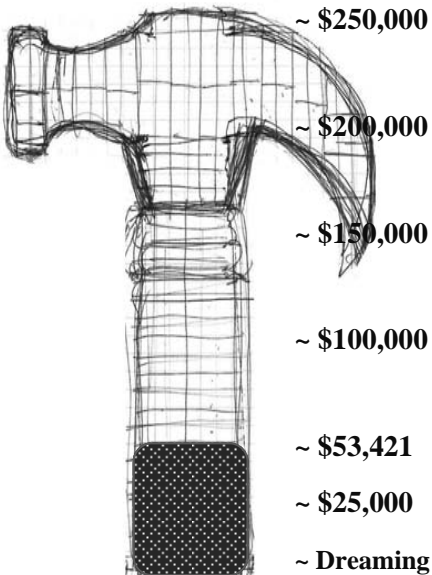
We have had amazing help working on Jacob's home. Orchestrated by Habitat for Humanity International, Collegiate Challenge organizes high schools and colleges to travel during spring break to Habitat projects across the country. Collegiate Challenge celebrates 26 years of alternative break trips and energetic volunteers. We are truly grateful for the contribution of time, energy and passion into helping us further Habitat for Humanity's mission of a world where everyone has a decent place to live. The students gained construction skills, experienced a beautiful part of our country, had the opportunity to give in service and put faith into action.

Aluminum Cans Build Habitat Homes



In our 12 years of recycling cans over 113,000 lbs of aluminum have been collected to build Habitat Homes in the San Luis Valley. That's 375 full van loads of cans diverted from the landfill to build homes - nearly \$50,000 raised from recycling cans, wow!!! Did you know the energy saved from recycling one can versus creating a new one is enough to power a TV for 3 hours?!?

Thank you all for recycling - Every can does count!



SLV Rural Electric Coop "Giving Back"

The employees from SLV Rural Electric Coop came together to give a week of service to Habitat. As a team building experience and to give back to the community, SLV REC helped to paint, installed hardibacker, worked on the drywall finish and also helped at the Habitat Store. Thank you everyone for your incredible work!!!!



Adobes Going Up & Up !!!

Many, many thanks to Art Clark & Darlene Seeley for digging the giant hole to get us started on a new home on Ross Ave in Alamosa. This summer several high school, college and adult mission trips will be stacking adobes. We hope to have the roof on before winter settles in.



Preston Hollow Dallas, TX lays out the footer

First Presbyterian Church Nevada, MO pours the foundation

Come lend a hand! Call or email audrey@slvhabitat.org to find out about workdays and be added to our email construction list.

Our Habitat Store is helping to build Habitat Homes!!
 We have reached 21% of our goal!!
 Support Our Habitat Store & Build More Homes

Our Capital Campaign Goal is \$250,000

Donations can be mailed to:
SLV Habitat for Humanity
P.O. Box 1197
Alamosa, CO 81101

Online donations can be given at
www.slvhabitat.org

Donations \$100 and over are eligible to receive Enterprise Zone tax credit in Colorado

Habitat Store
507 Main Street
downtown Alamosa
OPEN TUE - SAT
9 am - 3 pm



Our Habitat Store has been open for just over a year on Main Street in Alamosa. It's been a great first year and has exceeded our expectations. We couldn't have done this without the generous donations of great merchandise! Thank you to everyone who has donated, volunteered, helped us move heavy stuff and comes to purchase items.

The Habitat Store:

- Financially supports our affordable housing efforts
- Provides low-cost options for home improvements
- Keeps usable building materials out of the landfill

We are always accepting donations of new and gently used building materials

- 1st Weds of the month: Donation pick-ups Monte Vista, Del Norte, South Fork region
- 2nd Weds of the month: Donation pick-ups La Jara, Manassa, Antonito region

Donation pick-ups in Alamosa and other areas upon request. To arrange a pickup, call the Habitat Store (719) 589-8688.

~ Summer Fundraiser ~
Concert Trains



Come aboard the San Luis & Rio Grande Railroad for a beautiful ride to an outdoor concert venue in the mountains. Habitat for Humanity has a limited number of concert tickets to support our affordable housing efforts. Benefit tickets are \$25 adult, \$15 under 12 years. Train departs Alamosa at 10:30am. For tickets, call Habitat for Humanity (719) 589-8678, boxed lunch included.

Sunday, July 19: Trout Fishing in America is an eclectic folk/rock band. Their music inspiration comes from the fabric of everyday life and has won multiple National Indie & Parent's Choice awards – music for people who take their fun seriously. www.troutmusic.com

Sunday, Aug 23: Dr Robert band members come from musical backgrounds covering everything from jazz to bluegrass to funk to classical. Their diverse musical tastes and experiences combine to inspire their interpretations and tribute of The Beatles music. www.doctorroberttribute.com



Homeownership Resource Fair

Sat, Jun 27 10am-2pm
 Alamosa Head Start

11th & Hunt (former Boyd School)

Find out how to become a Habitat Homeowner

Already a homeowner? Find out about housing resources in the San Luis Valley

Homeownership Resource Fair hosted by CRHDC, Community Resources & Housing Development Corps

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JULY 18 · 2015



7th Annual Bike 2 Build San Luis Valley Century

Come pedal 35, 60 or 100 miles embraced by the dramatic 14,000 foot peaks of the Sangre de Cristo and San Juan Mountains. Experience breathtaking Colorado and the great expanse of the San Luis Valley, one of the world's largest and highest alpine valleys. Pedal beneath the forever reaching blue skies. Bike 2 Build is a benefit bike ride for Habitat for Humanity. The ride is fully supported with rest stops every 20-25 miles. Registration is \$100 raised in donations for the Century and 60-mile, \$75 in donations for the 35-mile [\$115 and \$85 if registering after July 10]. Registration info is available on our website www.slvhabitat.org, Kristi Mountain Sports, Alamosa Cycles, send an email to bikes@slvhabitat.org or call us (719) 589-8678.

We thank our sponsors who make our bike ride all possible: Alamosa Marketing District, Adams State University, First Southwest Bank, Kristi Mountain Sports, Rio Grande Savings & Loan, SLV Behavioral Health Group, SLV Federal Bank, Lester Ranch, Monte Vista Wildlife Refuge, Rio Grande Hospital, Sargent School, Alamosa Rotary Club, ASU Adventure Program, Student Life & Cycling Club.



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