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

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Five in Five

The Board of Directors with Executive Director Audrey Liu and Habitat Store Manager Rhonda Mouser interviewed nearly 25 stakeholders representing Habitat homeowners, Store staff, volunteers, donors and community partners to help create a five-year vision. The interviews explored the factors and forces that attract people to Habitat and give life to the organization. With the guidance of Chris Bibbo with our statewide organization Habitat for Humanity CO, our group evaluated the affiliate's core values and looked at suggestions for nurturing and strengthening relationships for Habitat's future. Our affiliate declares **Five in Five** our primary goal of successfully completing five Habitat homes in five years. This represents an increase in production capacity as we currently are able to complete about three homes in five years.



We invite you to join Habitat's mission in our efforts. Come volunteer at the worksite or at the Habitat Store, donate, spread the word, help make Habitat's **Five in Five**.



Looking back Five ~ 2014



In 2014 our Habitat Store became established at our current location at 507 Main Street. For Five previous years, we held monthly garage sales out of a storage unit, those were the beginnings of our Habitat Store dream! When the "Pink Elephant" became vacant awaiting asbestos abatement and eventual demolition, Randy Wright and the Alamosa Chamber of Commerce allowed us to temporarily occupy space where we tried our hands at an indoor location, an incredible opportunity! After several months exploring the expansion of our business venture, we became inspired to look for a more permanent location. We express a world of appreciation to Fred Nipple and 1st Southwest bank for supporting our vision and storefront in downtown Alamosa.

Today, our Habitat Store Manager Rhonda Mouser does an amazing job coordinating donations and we have the most wonderful crew of staff and volunteers! Our Store boasts over 30 volunteers helping to receive, sort, price and operate as smoothly as it does. We wouldn't be here without you, Thank You all!!!

Our Core Values

- Economic Justice We believe in a society where homeownership is attainable and affordable, where everyone's participation in our community is valued and needed.
- Stability and Safety We acknowledge safety and stability as fundamental rights to members of our community.
- **Homeownership** We commit to advocate for affordable homeownership. We are witnesses of the sense of pride and place that comes with decent and affordable homeownership.
- **Partnership and Empowerment** We believe in offering a "hand-up" to our neighbors in need of decent, affordable housing. We will treat all our partners with dignity, respect, and compassion.
- **Community** We value community, both engaging the community in all we do and building strong communities, in which we, all people, can achieve our full potential.
- Dignity and Equality We believe that every human being has inherent dignity and deserves a decent place to live.

Welcome Brandon Watson to our Board of Directors Brandon Watson is the newest board member of our local Habitat for Humanity. Brandon moved to the San Luis Valley from Idaho and is the eye doctor and owner of Alamosa Eye Care inside of Walmart. He is actively involved in other community



organizations including Kiwanis and Optimist Clubs. In his time off he enjoys being outdoors hiking and camping with his wife Danielle and their dog Maggie. Brandon is happy to be a part of the board and looks forward to seeing many more homes completed with deserving families of the area in the coming years.



Donate New/Gently Used Building Materials Support Habitat's Housing Efforts

The Vision

By 2025, Habitat for Humanity San Luis Valley will achieve the goal of building 5 houses in 5 years through pointed efforts to increase fundraising, volunteer engagement, and community outreach. The execution of the aforementioned strategies will enable us to be an exemplary Habitat for Humanity affiliate, committed to the stewardship of our community's resources.

Tim Dellett will be pedaling to raise funds and awareness for Habitat for Humanity in the Habitat 500. This July Tim will once again embark on a weeklong 500-mile cycling journey. We'll be hosting an event with Tim in June, look for details!



Accepting Applications for Homeownership

Have you dreamed about owning your very own home? Habitat for Humanity is accepting applications for homeownership in Alamosa. Habitat for Humanity is an international housing ministry serving low-income households who have been unable to receive a traditional home loan through conventional lending sources. Applicants contribute 500 hours of "sweat equity," time and labor, to the building of the homes and volunteering with the organization. Construction is done with the help of hundreds of volunteers. When a house is completed, applicant families purchase the homes from Habitat for Humanity with a no-profit mortgage.

For more info about our program or to volunteer please call us (719) 589-8678 or email audrey@slvhabitat.org. Habitat for Humanity is an equal housing lender.







11th Annual Bike 2 Build, San Luis Valley Century

Come pedal 35-miles, a Metric Century or a Century 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 25-30 miles. Registration is \$100 raised in donations for the Centuries and \$75 in donations for the 35-mile [\$115 and \$85 if registering after July 10]. Registration info is available our website www.slvhabitat.org, at Kristi Mountain Sports and Alamosa Cycles, email bikes@slvhabitat.org or call us (719) 589-8678. It's an absolute fantastic ride with AMAZING food!

