



Happy New Year!

Hello friends,

It is always exciting to think about what a new year holds, but it is not enough to dream or set goals... we must act. We must take the first step, then the next.



Here at HFHCA, already in January that is what we are doing. By the time you read this, we will have hosted five homeowner application orientation sessions with more than 100 interested persons attending!

We have several speaking engagements lined up, and best of all, eight homes at some stage of construction. We are booking volunteer groups to do everything from bagging leaves to touching up paint. Please jump in and join us in a way that works for you: invite us to speak to your group, join our [monthly giving Carpenters Club](#), donate to the [ReStore](#), attend our next dedication (see story below), [volunteer](#), and more.

It's a new year, and we intend to make our homebuyer's dreams a reality. You can help make it happen.

Thank you for reading!

P.S. What's on your mind? Feel free to [email me](#) any time.



Dedication for Home #241

We are excited to dedicate home #241 on **Friday, January 26, at 3:30 p.m.**, at 1421 W. 10th Street in North Little Rock. Our homebuyer and her two-year-old son got moved in just before Christmas and are ready to celebrate with friends and supporters. It may be chilly, but our hearts will be warmed.

This home was made possible by the federal [Neighborhood Stabilization Program](#) through the [City of North Little Rock](#), both terrific partners in building homes, communities, and hope. Join us!



Homeownership Orientation

Last Session for This Application Period!

Our homebuyer application period re-opened January 8 and runs through January 29. We ask that interested persons attend an orientation session before applying so they fully understand the program and its requirements.

Our final orientation session is scheduled for **Thursday, January 18, from noon – 1 p.m.**, at Laman Library in North Little Rock. If you or someone you know is interested in Habitat homeownership and wonders if they might qualify, please attend. You may register by emailing [Manuela @habitatcentralar.org](mailto:Manuela@habitatcentralar.org).



Habitat Receives Grant from Arkansas Blue and You Foundation

Habitat for Humanity of Central Arkansas is excited to announce that it has been awarded a social determinants of health grant from the [Blue and You Foundation for a Healthier Arkansas](#). Social determinants of health are factors that influence health outcomes in our community. Multiple studies confirm that stable, affordable housing is a determinant of better health, education, economic, social, and civic outcomes.

This game-changing grant will help build seven safe, energy-efficient, and affordable homes for low-to-moderate income families. What makes this grant so impactful is that it will provide funding for expenses that are not normally covered by state, federal, or private grant funds during the construction process. We are so grateful for the support of the Arkansas Blue and You Foundation.



Habitat Nominated for Two Awards

Habitat for Humanity of Central Arkansas is honored to be nominated for not one, but two highly-esteemed awards: the [North Little Rock Chamber of Commerce Nonprofit of the Year Award](#) and the [Arkansas Business Nonprofit of the Year Award](#). Both underscore the organization's impactful contributions in the community.

The nomination for the North Little Rock Chamber of Commerce Nonprofit of the Year Award serves as a testament to Habitat for Humanity's commitment to making a positive difference in North Little Rock. The chamber recognizes organizations that have demonstrated outstanding service, innovation, and a deep dedication to the betterment of the city.

Similarly, the nomination for the Arkansas Business Nonprofit of the Year Award acknowledges nonprofits that have shown excellence in leadership, community engagement, and a commitment to fostering positive change.

As the organization awaits the awards ceremonies in late February, the nominations themselves are seen as an opportunity to raise awareness about the ongoing need for affordable housing solutions and creating a world where everyone has a decent place to live.

Upcoming Events



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New Home Dedication

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1421 W. 10th Street

Happy New Year! It's our first home dedication of 2024, and you're invited to join us for the dedication of our newest home! Come help us celebrate with the new homeowners.



Tools for Life Classes

All are welcome, but especially current or interested homebuyers

- **How to Improve Your Credit**
Friday, February 9, 1 - 2 p.m.
Taught by Tiffany Greenway of TruService Community Federal Credit Union
- **Homebuyer Budgeting**
Wednesday, February 21, noon - 1 p.m.
Taught by A.J. Thomas of Centennial Bank

Classes will be held virtually on Zoom. Please call 501.251.6757 or email [Manuela.Catic](mailto:Manuela.Catic@habitatcentralar.org) to reserve your spot.



BAGGO, Brats N' Blues 2024

Sunday, April 28, at 3 p.m.
NEW LOCATION – Sunset Lodge at Rusty Tractor Vineyards

Sponsorships and tickets are now on sale for our fourth annual, super popular BAGGO, Brats N' Blues fundraising event. Get your team registered and prepare for another year of fun for a good cause.

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