

From the director's desk

Happy holidays!

Hello friends,

I hope this finds you in a jolly mood, celebrating this season of meaningful holidays.



Earlier this month we dedicated a new Little Rock home (see story below) and now are working to close a North Little Rock home on December 22nd so a mother and her son can celebrate Christmas under their very own roof!

That's what we are all about here at Habitat... making the dream of home ownership a reality for families. As you and yours wind down 2023, please know your support this calendar year has made **SIX dreams come true**. Your support may come in the form of financial contributions; it may come through your shopping at or donating to the ReStore; perhaps it comes through volunteer efforts, or even prayer. However you choose to support us, **we thank you**. Now and throughout the year, all gifts are welcome.

By the way, there is still time to shop the ReStore (there are a couple of great-looking Christmas trees still for sale) and there is still time to make a tax-deductible year-end gift. And there is always time for prayer.

Merry, merry,

Kelly

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



Apostles Build = Home #239

Earlier this month, we celebrated with Rosie and Charles as we blessed their new home. This special home was built with the very generous donations of several area United Methodist churches and the **Methodist Foundation for Arkansas**. Habitat construction staff led dozens of corporate, congregation, and individual volunteers over seven months to complete the home. Rosie and Charles, both veterans, are brother and sister. Rosie already has chairs on the front porch for those fair-weather days! Check our dedication photos [HERE](#).



Thank You, AmeriCorps NCCC

By the time you read this, our AmeriCorps NCCC team of eight will have departed Arkansas, headed to their next assignment in New Mexico. The young adults, ages 18-24, dedicate a year to serving others. For the second year in a row, we shared a team with [Ferncliff Camp and Conference Center](#).



While working for Habitat, they worked on three properties, including the Apostles Build. A highlight of their time with us was then attending the dedication of Rosie and Charles' home. We also hosted a "Life After AmeriCorps" panel for them. Staff, board member and architect Amber Banks, and Arkansas State Park Ranger Sam Files, shared their career experiences.



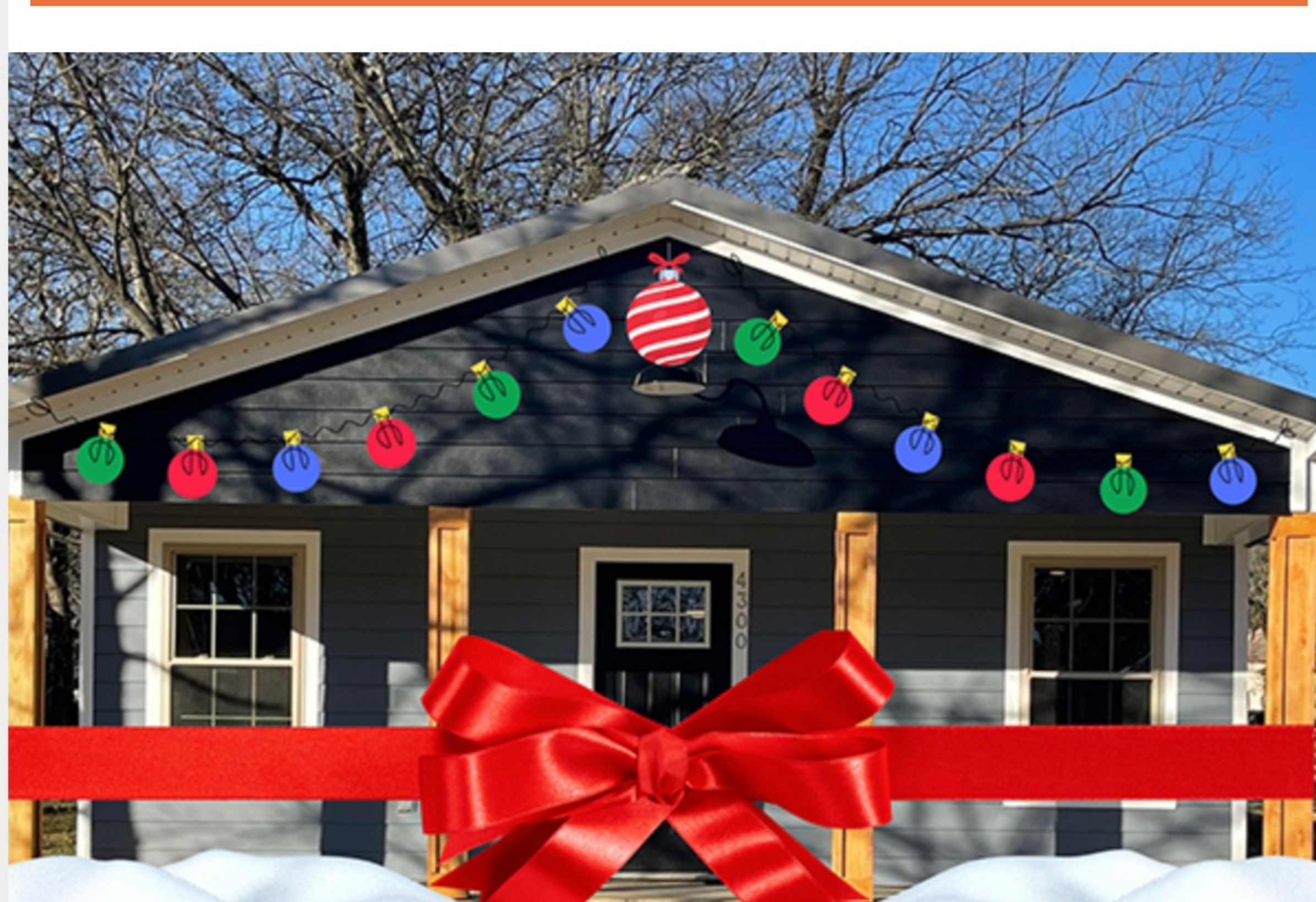
Entergy Arkansas Celebrates Their Anniversary with Generosity

In honor of its 110th anniversary, the state's largest and oldest electric provider is donating more than half a million dollars as part of its "Entergy Arkansas Bright Futures Campaign" to six partner nonprofits to help build strong communities across its 63-county service territory for a total of \$660,000. These donations are made possible by profits from the company owners through the [Entergy Charitable Foundation](#).

"I cannot think of a more appropriate way to commemorate the last 110 years and look toward 'Bright Futures' for our customers and communities," said Laura Landreaux, president and CEO of Entergy Arkansas. "Entergy Arkansas has been honored to serve for more than a century in our great state, and these grants highlight important partnerships and demonstrate the priority we place on being good corporate citizens by investing in our customers and the places we all call home."

The grants were awarded to nonprofits that align with utility's philanthropic focus on sustaining families, investing in workforce opportunities and a healthy environment. These initiatives are grounded in actions proven to improve the quality of life in the communities we serve now and for generations to come.

Habitat for Humanity of Central Arkansas and other Habitat chapters in the Entergy Arkansas service area will divide the \$110,000 to help provide affordable housing in their communities.



Last Chance to Give the Gift That Keeps Giving

Honor friends, family, or business associates with a meaningful gift to HFHCA this holiday season! We've designed this fun holiday honorarium card you see pictured above. Choose from two versions: one with this message inside: "A gift has been made in your honor to Habitat for Humanity of Central Arkansas because there's no place like home for the holidays," or one that's blank inside for you to write your own message. Then we can mail them for you or deliver them to you. The amount of the honorarium (or memorial) gift is up to you, but we suggest a minimum donation of \$5 per card.

Deadline to order is Wednesday, Dec. 20. Call Brad at 501.251.6673 to set up your gift today!

Upcoming Events



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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