Habitat’s Global Priority Countries

Haiti

In January of 2010, a massive earthquake hit Haiti, damaging or destroying nearly 190,000 houses, and displacing almost 200,000 Haitians. Since the earthquake, Habitat Haiti has helped families through multiyear projects in Simon Pelè and Canaan that focus on building structurally safe homes, installing water pumps and sanitation systems, and providing training/guidance in community self-governance.

Cambodia

More than 25 years of civil conflict, including the brutal rule of the Khmer Rouge, forced many Cambodians to flee the country. As stability returned so did refugees who set up temporary homes and squatter settlements. Habitat Cambodia offers a traditional homeownership program with the addition of extra space for in-home businesses. Water, sanitation and land tenure projects are transforming slums into healthy communities.

Bangladesh

One of the most flood-prone countries in the world, Bangladesh is fighting a near constant battle with natural disasters. Over 45 million Bangladeshis live in poverty; many stay in makeshift shelters that are destroyed each monsoon season. Habitat Bangladesh builds flood resistant homes, installs permanent latrines, and adds tube wells to ensure access to safe drinking water for even the poorest rural areas.

Ethiopia

The majority, 77.5 percent, of Ethiopia’s population lives on less than $2 a day. Only 12 percent of people have access to potable water. Many homes are window-less with dirt floors and leaky roofs. Habitat Ethiopia builds traditional “chika” homes with improved kitchens that ventilate cooking fires, helping reduce respiratory problems. Other projects help lower infectious disease rates by increasing access to potable water and latrines.

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