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ARPA Funds to be part of Habitat for Humanity of Omaha's \$200 Million Transformative Work for Amplified Impact

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OMAHA, Nebraska – A new plan will create more opportunities for families in our community to become homeowners. Habitat for Humanity of Omaha is reimagining the possibilities and planning to double the impact the organization has had in the community over the previous four years. A \$4 million award in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding will help the organization get things started.

“Habitat Omaha plans to invest more than \$200 million to create and preserve affordable homeownership in our area,” Habitat Omaha CEO Amanda Brewer said. “These ARPA funds will position the organization to serve more families in the community.”

Habitat Omaha’s new plan, known as Transformative Change, will provide an opportunity for 4,500-5,000 individuals and families through a variety of programs. By the end of 2026, the organization plans to double the impact by building 400 homes, completing more than 1,000 critical home repairs, and preparing 600 families and individuals for homeownership. See the full impact of the plan, [Transformative Change 2022-2026](#).

“We understand the enormous effort it’s going to take from all of us,” Brewer said. “That’s why we plan to partner with homeowners, neighbors, corporate partners, individual donors, other nonprofits and our elected officials to make this work happen.”

By the end of this year, Habitat Omaha will have built approximately 50 homes and assisted more than 800 individuals and families through its programs such as Home Repair, Almost Home mortgage readiness and Transfer of Deed on Death to ensure the transfer of generational wealth.

About Habitat for Humanity of Omaha

Founded in 1984, Habitat for Humanity of Omaha builds and renovates homes, repairs existing houses, takes down blighted structures and advocates for better laws and systems. We also work with individuals and families to provide an opportunity to access capital, skills, and financial education to become successful homeowners. In 2021, Habitat Omaha homeowners contributed almost \$900,000 to Douglas County in property taxes. This year Habitat Omaha will help 300 families become mortgage ready and purchase a Habitat home or a house on the open market. Through financial support, volunteering or adding a voice to support affordable housing, everyone can help families achieve the strength, stability and self-reliance they need to build better lives for themselves. Through shelter, we empower. To learn more, visit habitatomaha.org.