



MEDIA ALERT FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Women at work!

[Bucks County, PA] – In the decade since Habitat for Humanity International officially created the Women Build program, thousands of women volunteers have built more than 1,650 Women Build homes through their local affiliates. To celebrate that accomplishment, Habitat and Lowe's, the underwriter of the Women Build program, have declared the week before Mother's Day, May 3-9, **National Women Build Week**.

More than 200 affiliates in all 50 states are organizing a **Women Build day** during this week, including Habitat for Humanity of Bucks County. Women Build volunteers and Lowe's employees will be building at Habitat's construction site on Colonial Avenue in Bristol on **Wednesday, May 5**, and **Thursday, May 6**, from 9am-4pm.

Come out for some great photo opportunities!

- Directions to the Colonial Avenue homebuilding site in Bristol, from Interstate 276:
- Take exit **358** for **US-13** toward **Levittown/Bristol/Delaware Valley**
- Keep **right** at the fork to continue toward **Bristol Pike/US-13 S** and merge onto **Bristol Pike/US-13 S**
- Make a sharp **right** onto **Beaver Dam Road**
- Make a **left** onto **Lakeland Avenue**
- Make a **left** onto **Foster Avenue**
- Make a **left** onto **Colonial Avenue**
- The property will be on the right; it's an open lot before the church.
- *Site contact: Mike Fallon, Project Manager, (267) 446-7065*

Habitat for Humanity's Women Build program is about creating opportunities for women. Women and their children are disproportionately affected by poverty and substandard housing and through receiving training in construction skills women are able to feel confident working in what is traditionally a male-dominated field while creating affordable housing opportunities for those in need in their community. For more information on the Women Build program, please contact Laura McClellan at lmcclellan@habitatbucks.org or 215-822-221804 x302.

- Habitat Bucks' Women Build website: http://habitatbucks.org/women_build.htm.
- Habitat for Humanity International's Women Build website: habitat.org/wb.
- Lowe's Women Build website: lowes.com/lowes/lkn?action=pg&p=womenbuild/index.html

It is the mission of Habitat for Humanity of Bucks County to build affordable homes, better lives, stronger families, and safer communities through partnerships with people and organizations throughout Bucks County. We bring individuals, families and communities together to build affordable homes with those in need. We are a Christian ministry that calls on all people regardless of religious preference or cultural background to make safe, simple, affordable housing a matter of conscience and action in Bucks County.

Each home Habitat for Humanity builds in Bucks County requires a commitment of 2000 volunteer hours, financial contributions of \$115 per square foot, and the dedication of innumerable individuals speaking on behalf of the program. Habitat relies strictly on the generosity and commitment of our neighbors and partner families to provide these resources. For more information about Habitat Bucks, please call 215.348.2204 or visit www.habitatbucks.org.

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