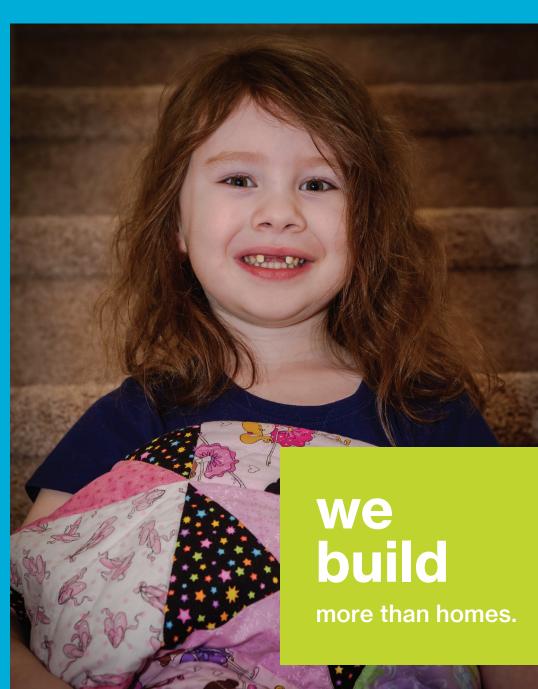


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Home Repair: A Growing Need in Bucks County

By Florence Kawoczka, Executive Director

Imagine being confined to your home because your steps are unmanageable. Imagine water dripping into your small mobile home every time it rains, or raw sewage backing up into your home. Then imagine the feeling of knowing you cannot afford the repairs.

Now, picture rolling your wheelchair out onto the front porch to enjoy the fresh air, no longer trapped, and finally feeling safe and dry when inside.

Habitat Bucks Home Repair program offers these and other solutions to our low-income neighbors so that they may remain securely in their homes. Our repairs typically include adding ramps and railings; repairing doors, windows and porches; and modifying kitchens and baths to be more accessible. We are now also expanding into critical repair work like roofs and major system repairs.

In towns throughout Bucks County, many of the quaint, older homes are showing signs of wear. The majority of the homeowners are senior citizens or disabled adults who now face mounting bills and dwindling income in a home that is increasingly unsafe or crumbling around them. By rehabilitating these homes, and making them more accessible and secure, we are assisting both current and future homeowners.

Thank you for supporting our mission to build and repair homes in Bucks County!



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HOME REPAIR HIGHLIGHT

Linnie's Story

Linnie, age 83 and her 65 year old daughter Loretta, live together in the house she's known as home for the past 55 years. She has always taken great pride in her home. About 10 years ago she was diagnosed with a debilitating condition and now needs her power chair to get around. Linnie's home had steps that didn't accommodate her wheelchair.

Through our Home Repair program and its supporters, Habitat Bucks was able to build Linnie a ramp. She regained her ability to access the medical care she needs as well as connection to her community. Because she knew she could trust us to help her, Linnie called again because now her rear steps are crumbling, which puts her homeowner's insurance at risk. She and Loretta also need modifications to their bath so that they can shower in safety.

Everyone can make a difference in the lives of our aging neighbors by supporting Habitat's Home Repair program. Our programs build more than homes; we build safety, security and hope.



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For more information about our Home Repair program, contact k.reever@habitatbucks.org.



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HOMEOWNERSHIP HIGHLIGHT

Evita's Story

Meet Evita, a single mom of two school-age children. She works full time for a major retailer in an administrative role. Currently, she lives in her father's home along with other extended family, sharing a bedroom with her daughter.

Since she began her homeownership journey with us. Evita has been eager to gain the independence to stand on her own two feet and provide for her children. She and her family are actively contributing to the home building process—and loving each new step along the way.

The family is laying the groundwork for an exciting future in their new home. Evita is building strong relationships with her three future neighbors and can't wait to move in. She will receive the keys to her new home in June.





YOU'RE INVITED TO A SPECIAL HOME DEDICATION

Saturday, June 29, 2019 @ 10 a.m. 213 Woodland Avenue Morrisville, PA 19067



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Thank you for supporting homeownership and home repair programs in Bucks County!





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Habitat for Humanity and Thrivent are partnering on **FAITH BUILD 2019** to help a local family in need of safe, affordable housing. We invite you to join this partnership powered by people and passion, and help us raise walls, funds and prayers right here in Bucks County!

Meet the Family!

Damian and Joanne share a small, two-bedroom apartment above a meat shop in NE Philadelphia with their young sons. The boys sleep with their parents to avoid the heavy smoke coming into their apartment from their neighbors. Once they move into their home in Morrisville, the family will have more time together because Damian will spend less time commuting to work. What a blessing!



We welcome you to join us!

Contact Colleen Brink, Marketing & Outreach Director for more information at **215.822.2812**, ext. **302** or c.brink@habitatbucks.org.

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