**Mission Statement:**
Habitat for Humanity of Greater Dayton works in partnership with God and people from all walks of life to develop communities with people in need by building, renovating, and remodeling houses so that there are decent and affordable homes in safe communities where families can live and grow.

**Brief History:** Founded in 1983, the first affiliate in the state, Habitat for Humanity of Greater Dayton is a non-profit, volunteer-driven Christian ecumenical housing ministry dedicated to providing decent, affordable housing to families in need throughout Montgomery County. Greene County Habitat for Humanity was founded in 1985 dedicated to eliminating substandard housing locally and worldwide through constructing, rehabilitating and preserving homes; by advocating for fair and just housing policies for families throughout Greene County Ohio.

January 1, 2014, both of these affiliates merged their resources to create one organization to serve both Montgomery and Greene counties and became Habitat for Humanity of Greater Dayton.

Habitat for Humanity serves as a hand up, not a hand out, for qualified low income families. Families apply to earn a home of their own. Once accepted into the program, our "Partner Families" work alongside our many volunteers to build their house. They put in 275 to 550 hours of "sweat equity" and take approximately 40 hours of classes to prepare for responsible homeownership before earning their home. Partner families make a down payment toward the purchase of their home, which is then sold to them through an affordable, interest-free mortgage held by Habitat for Humanity of Greater Dayton. Mortgage payments are put into a revolving fund to build future homes.