

# Quarterly Newsletter

## Building Homes, Communities, and Hope



# Habitat for Humanity

## SAN GORGONIO PASS AREA

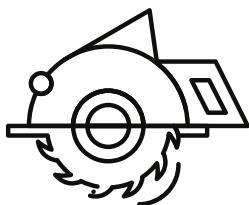
# THE BUILDER

## Blueprint



our vision is a world where everyone has a safe, decent, and affordable place to call home

Build More  
Serve More  
**Be The Change**



### CONSTRUCTION

Building homes for deserving low-income families.



### REVITALIZATION

Repairing and restoring needy families homes.

# The News

The Next Home By Habitat: Banning CA

HOME 15 IS UNDERWAY



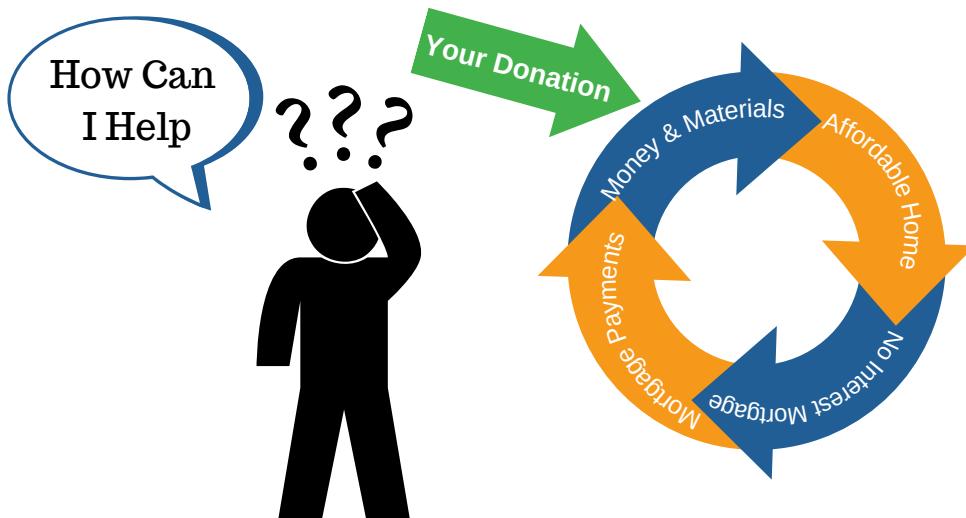
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## BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR THE HABITAT BUILD SIGN IN BANNING

Earlier this year we began our partnership process by accepting applications for the next build. Our Board of Directors will soon be selecting our next partner family. We look forward to working with the community and volunteers to help build a deserving low-income family their new home.

We have submitted our plans to the City of Banning, and as soon as the permits are approved we will be breaking ground.



## Be The Change

Your support of Habitat SGPA builds more than just houses. Quality housing and homeownership have proven to have positive affects on education, healthcare, crime, and our economy.

By helping hardworking low-income families build and buy safe, decent affordable homes, you are not only helping local deserving families and their children, but you are making a difference in our community.

Your donations today live on for years to come through our revolving fund for Humanity!

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# Story of **Transformation**



## Habitat for Humanity Homeowner Makes Sparks Fly in 2022

In 2010 Stacey Matthews was selected to own a Habitat home; it was her first home. She completed 200 hours of sweat equity, required of new homeowners, working alongside Habitat volunteers. Stacey was excited to move into her new home in November 2011 and was elated to pay off her mortgage in February 2022.

On Friday, April 29, 2022, Habitat for Humanity San Gorgonio Pass Area hosted a mortgage burning party for homeowner Stacey Matthews. Mortgage burning parties were common in the twentieth century when most mortgage payment periods were seven to ten years. Homeowners invited family and friends to share in this significant event, burning a copy of their mortgage note representing their financial freedom and accomplishment.

Habitat Board President Amy Minjares welcomed attendees to Stacey's mortgage burning and Pastor Scott Mason led the opening prayer. President Amy invited Stacey up to the podium to burn her mortgage. Art Welch, Mickey Valdivia, and Michael Bailey followed the mortgage burning, presenting Stacey with certificates recognizing her accomplishment. President Amy closed the ceremony congratulating Stacey for completing this significant milestone and invited everyone to join Stacey in the Habitat office for refreshments.

Please visit our website located at [www.habitatsgpa.org](http://www.habitatsgpa.org) to view this exciting milestone in Stacey's life.

# Save The Date

## September 17, 2022

### WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US

We are excited to invite you to join us for an evening of fun and laughter with the musical antics of a Killer Dueling Piano Show at Humanity's "Dueling Pianos" event on Saturday, September 17th. With two sharp-witted, incredibly talented musicians and two grand pianos, the evening is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy a night of entertainment while supporting a great cause. All proceeds from the event will benefit the work of Habitat for Humanity SGPA, bringing affordable housing and neighborhood revitalization to those in need throughout San Gorgonio Pass Area.

Sponsorship opportunities for the event are available in a variety of support levels and offer many recognition benefits for local businesses, corporate groups and individual donors.

More detailed information will be available at [www.habitatsgpa.org](http://www.habitatsgpa.org).



Raise funds to build houses, repair existing homes, and revitalize neighborhoods.



Share our story of collaboration with partners, sponsors, donors, and volunteers.



Engage the community in creating impact by giving of their time, talents, and resources.



### FINANCIAL LITERACY SEMINARS

Because we understand the importance of being financially aware we have partnered with USBank to offer financial education to the community.

This service is free and open to the public.

For more information visit our website at [www.habitatsgpa.org](http://www.habitatsgpa.org)



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**Before**



**After**

A Brush With Kindness is our low-cost exterior home repair program available to low-income homeowners throughout the pass area. Through this program, we are able to assist with exterior painting, landscaping, weed abatement, and other minor exterior repairs. ABWK helps homeowners impacted by age, disability, and family circumstances, who struggle to maintain the exterior of their homes.

- **Become An Event Sponsor**
- **Donate A Car**
- **Donate Material**
- **Bring Lunch to a Build Site**
- **Become a Monthly Donor**
- **One Time Donation**
- **The list goes on and on...**

## IN THE SPOTLIGHT

### FOUR SEASONS RESIDENTS SHOW UP FORE HABITAT!



On April 23, 2022, ten Four Seasons residents served as volunteers at Habitat for Humanity San Gorgonio Pass Area's 18th Annual Jim Heslop Memorial Golf Tournament. These dedicated individuals arrived early in the morning to work their respective shifts at Morongo Golf Club at Tukwet Canyon. Habitat is grateful for their gift of time.

Habitat's Vision is a world where everyone has a decent place to live and with the help of these Four Seasons residents the world will be a better place for deserving Pass residents. Thank you, Four Seasons volunteers; we look forward to partnering with you in the future.

Written by Jane Gentry



# 18 years

The smashing success of our 18th Annual Jim Heslop Memorial Golf Tournament was lauded by all, thanks to all involved.

Even though the day started out dreary and cold the energy of our supporters, sponsors, volunteers and nearly 144 golfers helped to brighten the day.

Driven by the need of our community, the primary purpose of the day was to help raise the funds necessary to support our work of affordable housing and neighborhood revitalization.

The winners and photos of the wonderful event can be seen by visiting our website at [www.habitatsgpa.org](http://www.habitatsgpa.org)



## From The Director

Wow, has it already been almost six months since I joined the Habitat Family? My, how time flies when you're having fun.

I have been overwhelmed by the pass area community's kind spirits, strong sense of community, and refreshing collaborative mindsets.

We have been busy, but still have much work yet to be done. However, I am confident with our team of amazing staff, supportive Board of Directors, dedicated partners, and generous donors Habitat for Humanity SGPA will continue to provide opportunities for families in our community to have a safe and stable place to call home, helping to build strength, stability, and self-reliance.

Each new day offers a chance for all of us to work together, pursue growth, and advance our mission - I am excited to have you by my side.



**Amy Minjares - President**

**Kathy Little - Vice President**

**Eddie Juarez - Treasurer**

**Valerie Craig - Secretary**

**Mark Little - Member at Large**

**Dori Lopez - Member at Large**

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