

Everyone deserves a safe and decent place to live.

In Cranbrook and across Southeast BC, the dream of homeownership is slipping out of reach for many hard-working families. Rising housing costs, limited availability, and stagnant wages mean that even those with steady employment are struggling to find safe, stable homes for their families.

Habitat for Humanity Southeast BC is here to change that.

We bring communities together to help local families build strength, stability, and independence through affordable homeownership. We don't give away homes, we offer families a hand up, not a handout. Habitat Partner Families help build their own homes and purchase them through affordable, no-down-payment mortgages geared to their income.

Why this matters in Cranbrook:

Cranbrook is growing, but development hasn't kept pace with the need for affordable housing. Many residents, including young families, are being priced out of the community they call home. Habitat homes help keep families rooted in Cranbrook, contributing to the economy, schools, volunteer groups, and the overall well-being of our town.

Our model works.

Since 1999, we've built 23 homes across Southeast BC, partnering with over 25 families, who were finally able to settle in a safe, healthy home after years of instability and health risks from substandard housing. With a Habitat home, families thrive, children do better in school, parents can focus on work, and the community becomes stronger.

We need Cranbrook to help build the future.

Whether you donate funds or materials, volunteer your time, shop or donate at a Habitat ReStore, or help spread the word, your support stays local and creates lasting change. Together, we can make homeownership accessible for families who just need a fair chance.

Let's build something better, together, right here in Cranbrook.

Learn more, donate, or get involved at <u>www.hfhsebc.org</u>
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