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Shop at the ReStore in April and help unlock stable futures for more families.

Home is the Key: Habitat for Humanity of Springfield, MO joins national movement in April to address affordable housing needs.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – One in four households in the U.S. pays more than 30 percent of their income for housing and may have difficulty affording necessities such as food, clothing or medical care. In Springfield, 25.6% of residents are living in poverty.

To address the critical need for affordable housing in our community and across the country, Habitat for Humanity of Springfield, MO (HFHS) is joining Home is the Key, a national campaign by Habitat for Humanity International aimed at highlighting the critical need for decent, affordable shelter through the month of April.

To promote the Home is the Key campaign; the HFHS ReStore will sell keys to raise funds for the Habitat for Humanity mission. The keys will be on display with the donor's name to recognize their support. The goal of the campaign is to raise \$2,000 throughout April.

"We have seen firsthand how an affordable home can play a key role positively influencing education, health and financial opportunities for families and individuals," said Larry Peterson, executive director of HFHS. "Decent shelter is something we all need to thrive, and yet many in Springfield still live in inadequate housing conditions. We invite our community in joining us in April and help us partner with even more homeowners in need for a hand up and da decent place to call home."

HFHS impacts more than 110 households per year through both home building and home repair programs. Since 1988, HFHS has either built or renovated more than 570 homes, providing shelter for more than 1,100 men, women and children from Greene, Christian, and Webster Counties by helping people gain strength, stability and independence through housing, including home construction, rehabilitation and repairs and by increasing access to improved shelter through products and programs.

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About Habitat for Humanity of Springfield, Missouri

Habitat for Humanity of Springfield, Missouri (HFHS) believes every person in the Springfield and surrounding area deserves a decent place to live. As an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International, HFHS impacts more than 110 households a year. Since 1988, HFHS has either built or renovated more than 570 homes, providing shelter for more than 1,100 men, women and children from Greene, Christian, and Webster Counties by helping people gain strength, stability and independence through housing, including home construction, rehabilitation and repairs and by increasing access to improved shelter through products, programs and Neighborhood Revitalization. HFHS is a United Way of the Ozarks partner agency. Learn more, including official word marks and images, at habitatspringfieldmo.org/newsroom or at [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [YouTube](#).

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