Home Building Program Transition



Henderson Settlement was on-track to complete its 38th foundation-up home build in 2020. Then came COVID-19! A family had applied, been approved and selected for the build. The build site had been prepared, and the build team nearly completely staffed. Then the project needed to be first postponed, and ultimately delayed until 2021.

This pause has provided the opportunity to undertake a few changes, which we believe will sustain the Home Building Program now and into the future. Here are a few highlights that we are excited to be able to put into place:

We plan to include interested and capable community youth in the build teams, and particularly youth that are interested in a vocational career path.

We plan to select a local community member to lead the weekly construction teams through the build process.

We will broadly communicate the opportunity to participate in the Home Building process to our full range of volunteer supporters (this article is a step in that process).

We will offer the opportunity to financially support the Home Building Program via e-giving, with the intent to always have the current year's home fully funded when the recipient family is selected in early February.

We want to thankfully acknowledge the SOWER Team (**S**haring **O**ur **W**itness, **E**nriching **R**elationships), that has led funding and construction of the majority of our foundation-up homes over the past 20 years! This group will continue to work at the core of our build teams, but bodies are inevitably moving past participation in construction service, and the Home Build Program continues to welcome new team members that wish to share their skills, and supporters that prefer to support this life-changing ministry financially.



You can find more information about the program, and how to get involved at https://www.hendersonsettlement.com/home-build.html