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## The Samuel UCC Build Habitat Challenge

When it seems impossible to have a St. Pat's Dinner in 2021, 5 members of Samuel UCC are challenging us to match gifts that they are making to support our UCC Habitat Build. Is it possible, they wonder, if we can raise the same funds that we did in 2020, nearly \$10,000?

**What started as the challenge to match \$5,000 in donations, has already raised**

**\$7,000 in less than a week!**



### You might think...

- of what you paid for tickets to the dinner in 2019 or 2020 (that was a gift as well)
- or the check that you wrote just because it would do so much good.
- You might even wish to stretch like the people who are challenging us this year.

**No gift is too small nor too large!**



ST. Louis Habitat for Humanity is still building, but because of Covid cannot use volunteer labor. They are hoping that the likes Tom McKenzie or Bob Steen or Mike Roth or Jim Pisoni or Paul Litzinger or a whole host of others might be able to volunteer alongside future homeowners later this year. And there are so many others out there as well.

**But in the meantime, our neighbors in St. Louis need affordable housing for their families.**



## Did you know?

Did you know that members of Parkway and Samuel and other UCC churches helped to start the original STL Habitat for Humanity chapter 35 years ago?

Did you know that 25 UCC churches banded together 25 years ago to raise the money to build houses together when pastors from St. Peters and Calvary Challenged all of us?

Did you know that our UCC churches have given over \$800,000 in those years and thousands of hours of labor?





You can write a check to Samuel, designating UCC Habitat Build, make a gift of stock, use Samuel's Online Giving or make a commitment to give a little each month. We'll keep you tuned in to how we and others are meeting the Samuel UCC Habitat Challenge.

**Please share this invitation with family and friends.**

And let us know of others who volunteered in so many ways with us to make affordable housing. Drop names of those volunteers in an email to Anna at[secretary@samuelucc.org](mailto:secretary@samuelucc.org) or Keith Karau, perhaps with a story and a picture to share.

Honor someone with a gift in their honor!

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