

# **Volunteer Impact Report**

Fiscal Year 20

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# Letter from the Director of Volunteer Services

Dear Habitat for Humanity-MidOhio supporters,

I am proud to present our special FY20 Volunteer Impact Report to see a glimpse of who makes up our Habitat MidOhio volunteer pool, their motivation for getting involved, and, most importantly, their impact in FY20.

Volunteers continue to be a key component in addressing the overwhelming need for affordable housing in Central Ohio. This year alone, volunteers assisted Habitat MidOhio in serving 82 families through both homeownership and home repair opportunities, in diverting more than 1,300 tons away from area landfills through recycling, repurposing, and reselling materials in our three ReStore locations, and in helping us launch The Playhouse Project program—all while finishing up the fiscal year in the midst of facing a worldwide pandemic.

I am constantly in awe of our volunteers' compassion, care, and continued commitment to the mission of Habitat, and the impact their collective efforts make in the families' lives and the neighborhoods we serve. Habitat MidOhio volunteers seek out to make a difference in their community each and every day. Harry Belafonte once said: "*Each and every one of you has the power, the will, and the capacity to make a difference in the world in which you live.*" Habitat MidOhio volunteers embody this quote, and the community continues to reap the benefit of their actions.

Our volunteers have found that the real success in life is about sharing their time and talents with others and making an impact in their community. We see it expressed day in and day out on our build sites, in our office and ReStores, during meetings, at fundraisers and events, and within our neighborhoods. Habitat MidOhio volunteers make a positive difference each and every day that they choose to volunteer with us, share their Habitat story with others, and demonstrate the Habitat mission in action.

In the following pages, we will move beyond the over 51,000 hours donated to Habitat MidOhio's mission in FY20 and learn more about what inspires volunteers to get involved and the impact that has resulted by that involvement. We hope you will take a moment to take a look and join us as we continue to carry out Habitat's mission.

In Community Partnership,

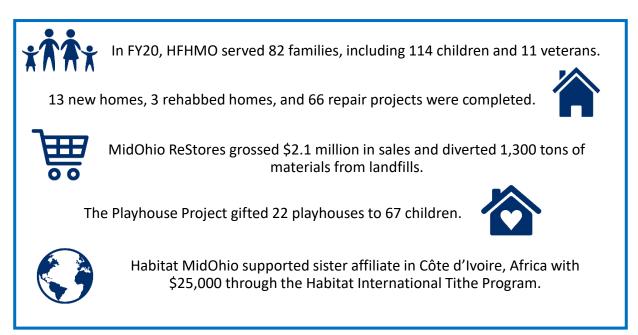
Deb Light Director, Volunteer Services

## **Introduction**

In FY20 (July 1, 2019 thru June 30, 2020) Habitat for Humanity – MidOhio (HFHMO) was able to serve 82 families, including 114 children and 11 veterans with the help of volunteers, partners, and donors. Thirteen new homes were built, and three homes were rehabbed. Sixty-six home repair projects were completed. The MidOhio ReStores grossed \$2.1 million in sales and diverted 1,300 tons of materials from landfills. The Playhouse Project was able to gift 22 playhouses to 67 children. Habitat MidOhio was able to support sister affiliate in Côte d'Ivoire, Africa with \$25,000 through the Habitat International Tithe



Program. 3,986 volunteers participated in 9,824 volunteer experiences and donated 51,796 hours.



A portion of this report is based off of data collected from the Annual Volunteer Survey for FY20 for Habitat for Humanity – MidOhio (HFHMO). The survey consisted of two parts; one for regular and consistent volunteers and another for general volunteers. There were 89 responses from regular volunteers and 109 from general volunteers for a total of 198.<sup>1</sup>

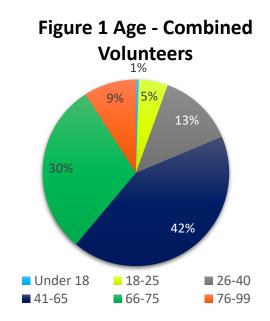
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Of the 3,986 individuals volunteering with HFHMO in FY20, surveys were emailed out to 2925 recipients for whom we had email addresses, and our response rate was 6.8%.

## **Demographics**

The following demographics are based on survey responses and, therefore, are a sample, not a comprehensive summary.

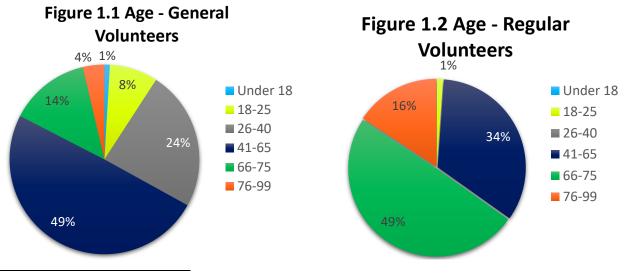
## Age

When looking at the age of general volunteers, ages 41 to 65 make up nearly half as shown in Figure 1.1. Ages 26 to 40 make up nearly a quarter, while ages above 66 and ages below 26 combine to just over a quarter. The regular volunteers tell a very different story shown in Figure 1.2. With only one regular volunteer between ages 18 and 25, nearly all, 99%, of the surveyed regular volunteers are older than 40. By looking holistically at the combined ages of volunteers in Figure 1, it shows that less than a quarter of surveyed volunteers are 40 or younger. This shows an opportunity for growth.



One potential area of growth is to increase the age

group of 18 to 25 through a heightened presence on college campuses. "The Columbus Region has one of the highest concentrations of higher education in the nation, with 52 college and university campuses, a total enrollment of more than 134,000 students and 22,000 annual graduates"<sup>2</sup>. Of that, Franklin and Licking Counties alone are home to over 119,000 students and 27 colleges and universities, many of which would fall into the age gap of volunteers. While the consistency of older volunteers is appreciated, the affiliate also needs to increase focused retention efforts on younger generations of volunteers to continue to improve future growth and sustainability.

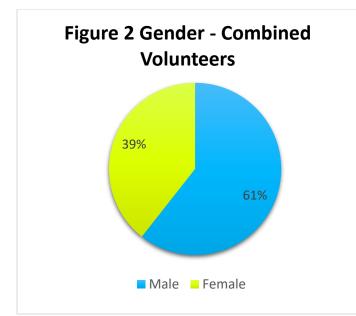


<sup>2</sup> Columbus Region

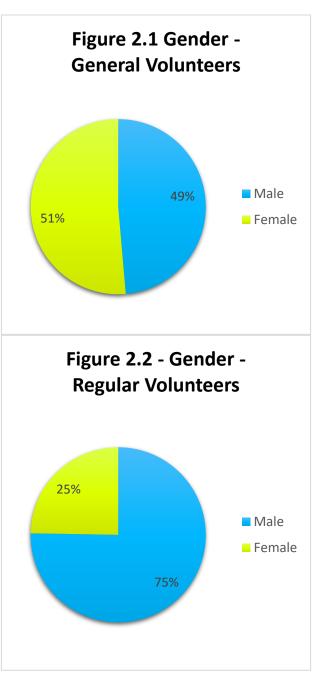
## Gender

The following options were given for gender: Male, Female, Other, Prefer Not to Say. No respondents selected Other or Prefer Not to Say, so for clarity of the graphs they will not be marked.

Among general volunteers surveyed, there is a relatively even split between Male and Female, as shown in Figure 2.1. Regular volunteers, on the other hand, consist of only 25% Females, as shown in Figure 2.2. If HFHMO can find a way to gain more regular, female volunteers, there would be a much more even split. The Women Build program and clinics are an excellent start to augmenting targeted female participation. By continuing to expand the Women Build programs, HFHMO can achieve a more even amount of men and women compared to the current 61% Male and 39% Female, as shown in Figure 2.







### Residence

While Habitat MidOhio serves Franklin, Licking, and Madison Counties, volunteers come from all over Central Ohio. In the survey, volunteers were asked to list their home zip codes. All volunteers, shown in Figure 3.1, represent a large variety of zip codes in the Central Ohio area, including all three service counties and Marion, Delaware, and Knox Counties. These three non-service area counties each have its own affiliate where the volunteers could choose to volunteer; yet, they choose to volunteer with HFHMO. There were a total of 56 unique zip codes with the highest frequencies occurring in 43017, the Dublin area with 17 volunteers; 43065, the Powell area with 10 occurrences; 43221, northern Upper Arlington and southern Clintonville with 10 occurrences; and 43235, the northwest Columbus and Flint area with 10 occurrences. Other high frequency zip codes include the Hilliard area, Westerville area, Gahanna area, and Newark area.

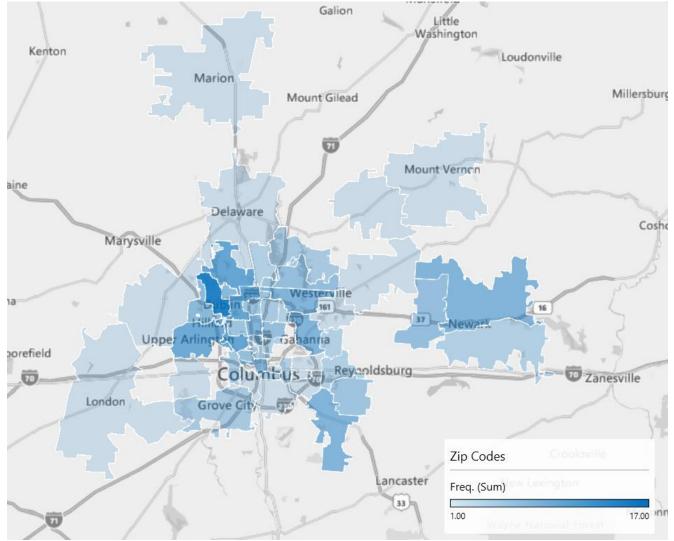
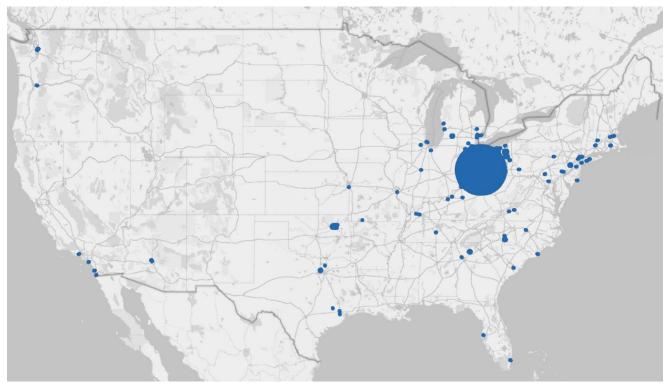


Figure 3.1 – Central Ohio Zip Codes (Based on Survey)

When analyzing the over 3,000 volunteers in the affiliate database, over 280 unique zip codes from across both Ohio and the United States were represented as shown in Figure 3.2. The zip codes with the highest frequencies include 43201, the University District and northern Short North with 139 occurrences; 43230, the Gahanna area with 126 occurrences; and 43026, the Hilliard area with 120 occurrences. Of particular note, there are volunteers who call states home as far west as California and Washington.





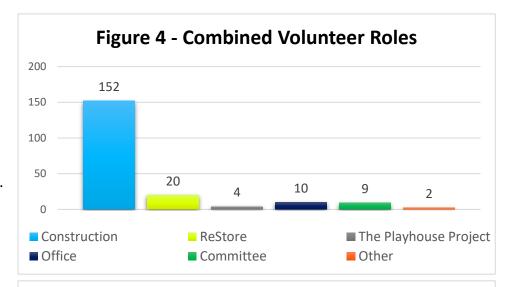


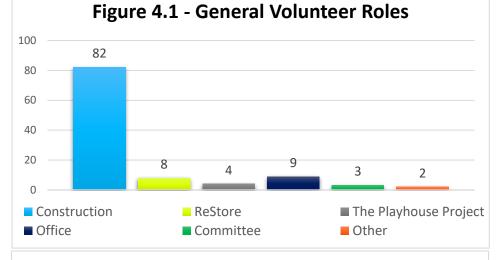
## **Volunteer Role**

Volunteer roles fall into several main categories: Construction, ReStore, The Playhouse Project, Office, Committees, or Other. An overwhelming majority of volunteers serve in the Construction area as shown in Figure 4. Other responses listed include Yardwork and a Combination of Roles. Volunteers gave over 6,100 hours in the ReStores, nearly 40,400 hours on construction shifts, and nearly 3,700 hours to other volunteer opportunities.

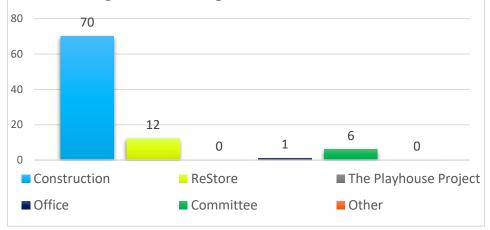
The general volunteer survey responses demonstrate more of a variety of volunteer involvement by having at least a few volunteers in each main role, as shown in Figure 4.1. Other responses listed correspond with those mentioned for Figure 4.

Regular volunteers are much more construction focused as shown in Figure 4.2. Seventy survey respondents' primary volunteer role is Construction which equates to nearly 80%. This statistic is in line with





## Figure 4.2 - Regular Volunteer Roles



Habitat's primary focus on construction opportunities needed to fufill its mission.

# **Volunteer Impact**

## **Affiliate Impact**

At the beginning of the fiscal year, Habitat leadership set the goal to complete 102 projects. Habitat MidOhio was on track to meet this goal when the COVID-19 pandemic caused a six-week long pause on all construction and ReStore operations. When construction resumed, only staff and AmeriCorps members were permitted on sites until June. For the last month of the fiscal year, sites were confined to staff, AmeriCorps members, and limited regular volunteers per Habitat International (HFHI) COVID-19 guidelines. Despite this setback, Habitat MidOhio was able to complete 80% of its goal by completing 82 projects.

Also within FY20, Habitat was able to launch a new program, The Playhouse Project, a unique opportunity that allows Habitat to partner with sponsors to build a playhouse for a local family in need, and open a new ReStore. Both The Playhouse Project and the new ReStore are able to help set up the affiliate to increase revenue and, in turn, increase community impact.

Volunteers' commitment to their community and Habitat MidOhio allows the affiliate to focus financial contributions on the mission and magnify its efforts beyond the staff. The hours contributed to the ReStores in FY20 equate to 3 full time employees. Construction volunteer hours equate to 19 full time employees and other volunteer roles equate to 2 full time employees. Volunteers make it possible for Habitat MidOhio to expand its impact on the community that it does.



## **Community Impact**

Habitat MidOhio serves Franklin, Madison, and Licking Counties. This can be broken down further to showcase the impact on neighborhoods within that service area. In FY20, Habitat MidOhio completed 16 new builds and recycles; 13 in the Linden area of Columbus, 1 in the Hilltop area of Columbus, and 2 in Newark. 66 repair projects were completed in 21 different neighborhoods. These neighborhoods and the number of projects completed there are shown in Figure 5. Habitat MidOhio was able to impact 82 homes in 21 different neighborhoods.

Neighborhood	Repair Projects Completed	Neighborhood	Number of Repair Projects
Eastside	2	Northeast	3
Far Eastside	2	Northland	2
Franklinton	2	Pataskala	1
Galloway	1	Reynoldsburg	2
Hilltop	5	Southeast Columbus	2
Linden	10	Southside	14
Linwood	1	Strawberry Farms	1
Milo Grogan	3	Weinland Park	1
Near Eastside	1	Westbrook	1
Newark	4	Whitehall	1
North Central	5	TOTAL	66

#### Figure 5 – FY20 Repair Project Neighborhoods

The opening of the third ReStore on Bethel Road increased the span in which Habitat MidOhio can serve the community. There is now a place for community members to donate and shop on the Northwest side of Columbus. This ReStore, in tangent with the Westerville Road location on the East side of Columbus and the Wilson Road ReStore on the West side of Columbus, provide an affordable way for the public to purchase new and donated building and home improvement materials. The ReStores are also able to divert usable materials from landfills. In FY20, 1,300 tons of materials were diverted to the ReStores.

The Playhouse Project, in partnership with sponsoring organizations, was able to provide 67 children with a safe place to play and imagine what home means to them. The 22 playhouses created will impact these future generations.



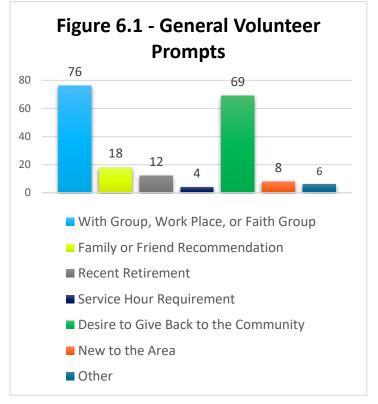


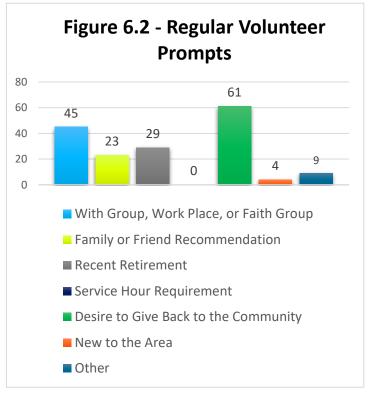
## Prompt to Volunteer

Choosing to volunteer with Habitat MidOhio can come from many motivations. For our general volunteers, the most common motivation is to volunteer With a Group, Work Place, or Faith Group. This is followed closely behind by a Desire to Give Back to the Community, as shown in Figure 6.1. Other responses listed include: Career Interest, Women Build, Habitat's Mission, "It's Fun", To Learn Skills, and Habitat's Connection to Faith. General volunteers have a low number of people who chose to volunteer for a Service Hour Requirement, this fact is encouraging as it shows that volunteers are with Habitat because the want to be, not because they have to be.

As shown in Figure 6.2, regular volunteers show the Desire to Give Back to the Community in a larger frequency as the main prompt to volunteer. This is followed by volunteering With a Group, Work Place, or Faith Group. Other responses listed include: "Always Wanted to", Had Carpentry Skills, Volunteering with Other Affiliates, For Something to do, Habitat's Mission, To Meet People, and Jimmy Carter's Book. None of the surveyed regular volunteers marked a Service Hour Requirement as their prompt to volunteer.

When looking at all volunteers, it is clear the HFHMO volunteers choose to volunteer to give back to the community and be with others through their work place, faith group, or general groups. Less than 15 volunteers chose to volunteer for either school or court ordered hours.



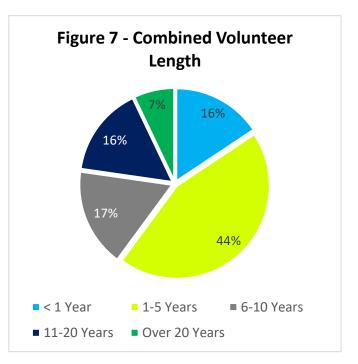


# Volunteer Length & Retention

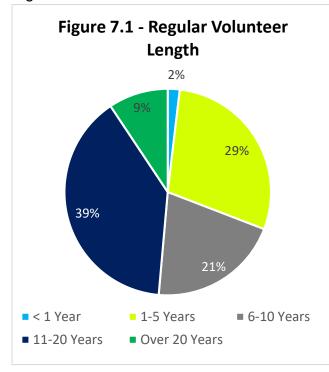
Volunteer longevity is important to any nonprofit, but so is bringing in fresh and new volunteers to keep the organization growing.

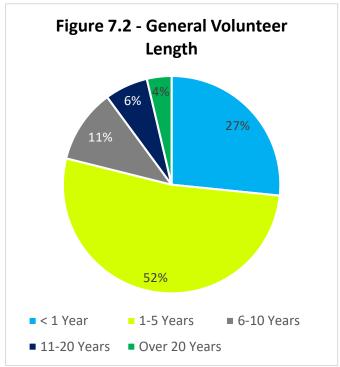
HFHMO volunteers surveyed are reasonably balanced in terms of the number of years they have been volunteering. There is a majority that falls within 1 to 5 Years and a smaller amount in the Over 20 Years category, but all other ranges are quite even, as shown in Figure 7. These figures hint at the possibility of both a future with many volunteers and their room for growth.

Regular volunteers have a substantially smaller amount of newer volunteers, with less than 15% having begun in the past 5 years, shown in Figure 7.1. Regular volunteers hint at longevity while general volunteers hint at bringing in fresh and new volunteers. General volunteers are



made up of nearly 80% that have begun volunteering in the past 5 years, shown in Figure 7.2.



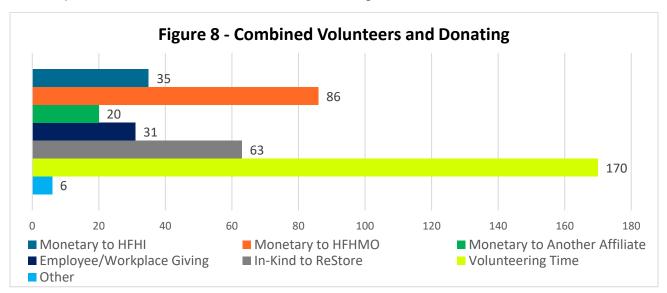


Of the 3,986 volunteers in FY20, 256 of them were considered "regular" volunteers, which equates to either serving more than 50 hours or serving on a committee. 601 of the volunteers are considered "episodic" volunteers. This equates to serving more than one shift, but less than 50 hours. 3,129 volunteer are considered "one-time" volunteers.



# **Volunteers and Donating**

Both volunteers and financial contributions are necessary for the success of the affiliate. To gather data on volunteers who also donate, respondents were asked to select all that apply from the following list: Monetary Donation to Habitat for Humanity International (HFHI), Monetary Donation to HFMMO, Monetary Donation to Another Affiliate, Employee/Workplace Giving, In-Kind Donations to the ReStores, Volunteering Time, and Other. Across all volunteers surveyed, many selected multiple options ranging across all options including the following responses for Other: General In-Kind Donations, None of the Above, Food, ReStore Purchases, and Individual Fundraisers. The responses for all volunteers can be seen in Figure 8.

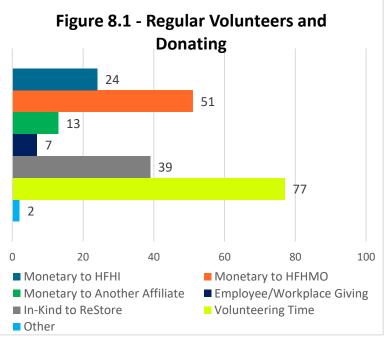


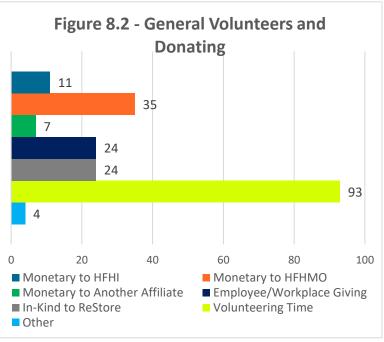
Regular volunteers tend to donate more often. Twenty-four respondents choose to donate to HFHI, and 51 choose to donate to HFHMO, as shown in Figure 8.1. They are also more commonly giving In-Kind Donations to the ReStores.



General volunteers surveyed also donate to both HFHI and HFHMO but not as consistently as regular volunteers. General volunteers, on the other hand, more frequently partake in Employee or Workplace Giving Campaigns. General volunteers and their donation habits are shown in Figure 8.2.





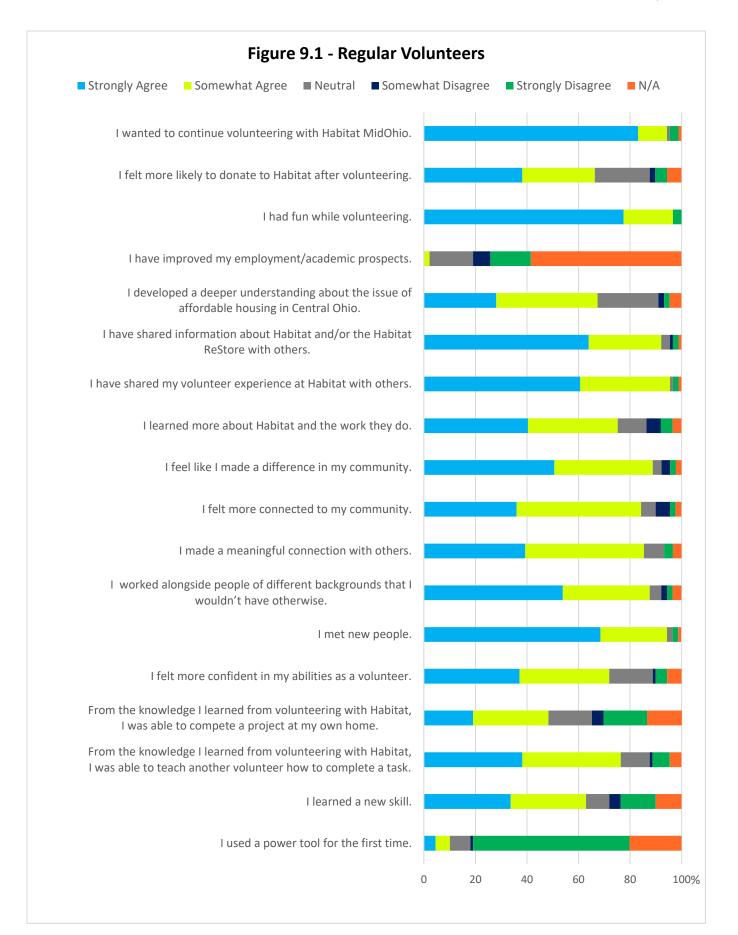


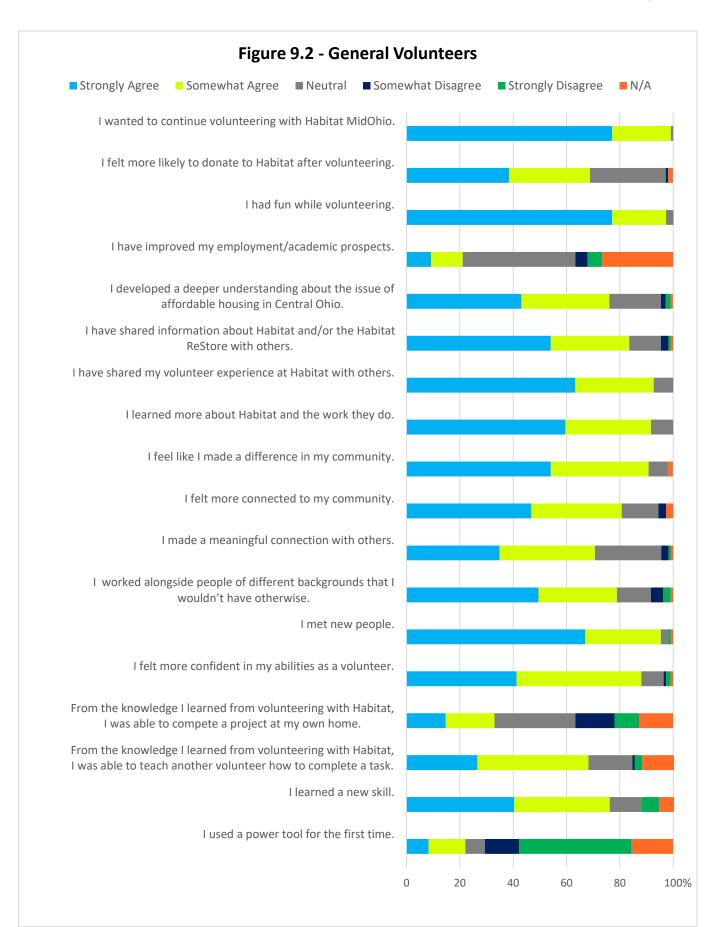
# **Fact Statements**

Volunteers were asked to select the extent to which each statement applied to them as a Habitat MidOhio volunteer. Figure 9.1 shows a visual summary of the responses of regular volunteers, while Figure 9.2 shows a visual summary of general volunteer responses. From this data, we have learned the following statistics:

Nearly 70% of all volunteers learned a new skill in FY20.	Nearly 95% of all volunteers met new people.	Over 83% of all volunteers worked alongside people of different backgrounds that they wouldn't have otherwise.
Over 78% of all volunteers made a meaningful connection with others.	Over 82% of all volunteers felt more connected to the community.	Over 96% of all volunteers want to continue volunteering with HFHMO.







# Volunteers Hope to Gain

Respondents were asked to select all that applied to them regarding things they were hoping to gain from volunteering with Habitat MidOhio. The overwhelming majority, 182 respondents out of 198, selected "To Feel like I'm Making a Difference." This makes it clear that Habitat MidOhio volunteers want to make a difference in both their lives and others.



# **Return on Volunteer Investment**

In FY20, 3,896 unique individuals participated in 9,824 volunteer experiences and donated 51,796 hours to the mission of Habitat. The Independent Sector estimates that for Ohio in 2019 the value of each volunteer hour is \$24.06. Given that, Volunteer Wage Value can be totaled to \$1,246,211.76. Volunteer Gifts to the affiliate total to \$134,091.30. Volunteer Program Investment, which includes all volunteer staff, outreach, training, recognition and program administrative costs, in FY20 totaled to \$187,599.17. From here, a Comprehensive Return on Volunteer Investment can be calculated to \$6.35. For every dollar invested, \$6.35 goes back into the community through both volunteer time and donations.

Total Volunteer Hours	Value per Volunteer Hour in Ohio <sup>3</sup>	Volunteer Wage Value	Volunteer Gifts	Volunteer Program Investment	Comprehensive Return on Volunteer Investment
51,796	\$24.06	\$1,246,211.76	\$134,091.30	\$187,599.17	\$6.35 per dollar invested

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Independent Sector, 2019

# **Conclusion**

Through the analysis of the Annual Volunteer Survey for FY20, many strengths and opportunities are shown. This data can be used to help evaluate the past and shape the trajectory of the future. Volunteers are clearly an integral role in Habitat MidOhio's mission and should be viewed as such. The following pages list key volunteers who demonstrated a deep commitment to fulfilling Habitat MidOhio's FY20 goals and impact in Central Ohio.



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## FY20 Volunteers<sup>4</sup>

#### 800+ hours Robert Lentz

#### 500+ hours

Howard Baulch Richard Kipp Dale Krummen Thomas Tugend

#### 400+ hours

Rea Buchanan Mark Cohen William Darlage John Fisher Tim Kolodziej Greg Myers Philip Sawich Donald Spoelker

#### 300+ hours

Vincent Bednar Keith Dufrane Larry Hutchison Jon Linton James Meeth Vicki Nichols Thomas Oswald James Rosing James Siebert Craig Skeel Terry Stohr Richard Troendly

#### 200+ hours

Douglas Arnold Terry Baughman Michael Bloomfield Cynthia Franklin Bob Geoghegan Stephen Gutgesell Alison Harris Ralph King Timothy Kohr Hugh Leslie Richard Litfin George Lybarger (200+ Continued) Jerry Minturn Eric Mitiska Constance Rivera Benson Ross J. Patrick Schlaerth Mark Senff Ray Stankunas Douglas Teske William Turns Craig Vette Jim Wendorff Steve Weygandt

#### 100+ hours

Scott Baharis Kevin Baxter Evan Beane Greg Bell Charles Bergmann **Catherine Briggs** James Buehler Mark Byram Jim Cogan Mary Coridan Joy Culp **Ben Freudenreich** Dianne Gibson Rachel Gratz Megan Hatta John Heppner Suzanne Holderbaum Randall Howell Jordan Hunt Brent Kinnan Karen Kruse **Thomas Lemberger** Barb Loar Brad Martin Ronald McCrea Daniel Moorhead Adam Noel Kirk Nofzinger Helen Pestel David Price Daniel Pugh

(100+ Continued) Greg Schmidt Barbara Stephens Trish Van Zandt Diane Vaughn Charles Wickersham Robert Youngs David Zuehlke

#### 50+ hours

Celine Admiraal Andrew Ahijevych **David Altfater** Jonathan Anderson D'Andra Andrews Leah Argyle **Roger Barnes** Virginia Barry Gregory Bauer John Beals June Bibler Bruce Binzel Richard Birnie Dave Bluestone Tony Borer David Cockram Kirsten Coggan Samuel Cozart Yvonne Cradden Kenneth Crawford Darrell Daniels Robert Davis Richard Dellinger Jane DeMuth Jennifer Evans Bonnie Fay Grant Fish Mary Ann Fish Keith Gatewood Loren Geistfeld Robert Glotzhober Keith Green Andrew Gregory Beverly Grim Gary Grim **Daniel Hall** 

(50+ Continued) Dee Harrah Pamela Higgins George Huston Mary Insabella Mitch Janklow Abeer Khalil Fred Kierner Logan Kocka Tommy Malone **Deborah Matthaes** Jeff Matthaes **Roberto McClin** Patsy O'Dell Jane Perry Mark Perry Ernie Pfund James Poremba Tod Powers Joseph Reilly Tim Richardson **Glenn Ritchie** Samantha Robbins Sallv-Anne Robbins William Ryan James Sauer **Robert Shiock** Steve Shuleva Beth Spears John Strand John Swartz Ned Timmons Yan Vologzhanin Jim Warburton Marjorie Ward Diana Welsh Jim Whitmer Maynard Yoder

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> List as of June 30, 2020 represents volunteer hours reported and tracked

#### <u>Leadership</u> <u>Committees</u> Habitat MidOhio Board

Tony Bonarrigo Lori Bongiorno Brady Burt Mike Copella Rae Ann Dankovic Mike Fitzpatrick Jason Lawler Scott Moore Jim Petrie Joe Reilly Tom Robertson Kyle Sharp Greg Skinner Greg Smith Kaz Unalan

#### Licking County Advisory Committee Brady Burt Kyle Simpson

#### Habitat Young Professionals Board

Jonathan Anderson D'Andra Andrews Tom Drash Rachel Gratz Andrew Gregory Jordan Hunt Ryan Seifert

#### Ohio State Habitat Chapter Executive Board

Logan Anway Sabrina Barghouty Alice Cai Grace Gothard Vince Sabato Galen Silver

#### Faith Partners Hilliard Adopt-A-House

House Howard Baulch Howard Draves Grant Fish Mary Ann Fish Larry Hutchison Tod Powers Bonnie Roberts Paula Santa Mary Sims John Strand Larry Ziniel

#### Northside

Partnership Jane Albert Dave Altfater Byron Bossenbroek Joan Bossenbroek Jack Dicke Brenda Eddy Rachel Gratz Eve Herold Bob Lentz Robin Leslie Tom Rice Doug Stuart Bob VanVliet Marjorie Ward Jim Whitmer

#### Northwest Adopt-A-

House John Beals Charles Bergmann John Fisher Loren Geistfeld Hugh Leslie Evy Locklin Barbara McSheffery Benson Ross Bill Ryan Betsy Sebastian Ned Timmons Brad West

#### Mifflin Presbyterian Habitat Build Coordinators Marquell Segelken Ned Segelken

Church of the Resurrection Leadership Team John Auletto Marybeth Auletto Pat Heinzman Theresa Heinzman **Bill Holehouse** Elaine Holehouse Sue Larson Mario Macioce Ann Mecklenborg Mark Mecklenborg Ellen Milnes Linda Tavlor Scott Taylor

#### **Construction**

House Leads John Fisher Larry Hutchison Bob Lentz Jim Rosing

#### **DAKlectric Team**

Dale Duellman Larry Hutchison Dale Krummen Tommy Malone Mike Martin Ernie Pfund Phil Sawich Patrick Schlaerth

#### Homeowner Services

Cindy Badano Joann Barnak Matthew Denton Sandy Freer Anthony Gentile Mandi Lemke Remington Lyman Kerry Mix Cathy Norton Jasia Rivers Kendra Simpson Margie Smith Linda Smith Kirsten Spriggs Kellie Vaughn Bridgette Wellington Natasha Wright

## Special Events

#### The Playhouse Project Kit Creation Team

Scott Baharis Keith Dufrane Matt Hayes Bryan Tamulonis Adam Thompson

#### 24 Hours of Hockey Planning

**Committee** Elliot Cooke TJ Nocar Kevin Runyon Jacob Wilcox