



Home is the Key Family Fundraising Calendar

Thank you for involving your family in the Mission of Habitat for Humanity of Burlington, Mercer, and Atlantic Counties: Our mission is to work in partnership with community partners and families in-need to build decent affordable homes and strong communities.

Our "Home is the Key" Fundraising Calendar is designed to involve the entire family in contemplating the people and things that make a home, as well as exploring what those living in dilapidated, overcrowded, or insecure housing may experience just to get through every day.

Parents and adult family members: You will guide the discussion. The calendar contains facts about Habitat for Humanity, New Jersey's housing crisis, and the difference a safe and affordable home can make.

- Toddlers- If you have very young children, they can color or paint the house bank that comes with the calendar. They can practice fine motor skills by putting coins in the bank slot.
- Elementary aged children can do some of the counting called for in the bank deposit instructions. Perhaps they can perform some of the math functions to figure out what a deposit should be.
- Older children can assist with the advanced math. They could also play around with some of the statistics we quote on the calendar. One example is that a person working a 40-hour work week in New Jersey would need to make \$29 per hour to afford the median rent on a two-bedroom apartment. If they can follow that through to get the median rent, they could then figure out how many hours a person making \$12.00, New Jersey's minimum wage, would have to work to afford the same apartment.
- All children can help younger siblings. Older kids can practice counting with toddlers and help elementary aged siblings with math.

The important thing is that this is something the family does together. All the physical characteristics mentioned on the calendar make a house, but family makes a home. Have fun and thank you again from everyone at Habitat for Humanity of Burlington, Mercer, and Atlantic Counties!

Please send funds collected by April 30th, 2021 to 530 Route 38 East Maple Shade, NJ 08052. Or, you can text "H0M3ISK3Y" to 41444 to donate, venmo us @HabitatBMC, or visit this link <https://app.mobilecause.com/form/pBmBhA?vid=hiixz>

Please make sure to add the memo, 'Home is Key' to your donation!

**Send photos of your family participating in the Home is the Key activity to eregan@hfhbmc.org to be featured on our social media pages!*

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Too many families have to choose between rent and medical care.	Deposit 25¢ for each vehicle parked at your house.	Add 50¢ for each pet.	If everyone has their own room or shares with 1 person, add \$2 .	Deposit 25¢ for every year you have been in your home.	Deposit \$1 for every bedroom in your home.	Habitat works with families to keep housing costs at 30% of income or less.
In New Jersey, 1 in 6 households spend more than half their income on housing.	Deposit 10¢ for every electrical outlet.	Deposit 50¢ if you enjoy the convenience of a microwave.	Deposit 25¢ for every light and lamp.	Add 50¢ for each smoke detector.	Deposit 10¢ for every window.	Habitat keeps homes affordable with help from donors and volunteers like you!
213,640 – The number of affordable housing units needed in New Jersey.	Add 10¢ for each room with carpeting, 15¢ for tile or wood floors.	Deposit \$1 if you have a carport, \$2 for a garage.	Add \$1 to the bank if you have internet access at home.	Add 25¢ for each appliance; stove, fridge, dishwasher, oven.	For each TV deposit \$1 . Add 25¢ for each DVD player.	New Jersey is 7th in the nation for highest housing wages.
26% of renters spend more than half of their income on rent in NJ.	Deposit 1¢ for every book in your home.	Add 25¢ for each bed in your home.	Include \$1 for every computer in your home.	Add \$2 if you have a dedicated spot to do homework.	Deposit \$1 if you have a clothes washer and/or dryer.	Children of homeowners are 25% more likely to graduate high school.
A person working 40 hours per week needs to make \$29 per hour to afford average 2 BR Apt.	Deposit 25¢ for every closet.	Add 15¢ for every inner door, 25¢ for outer doors.	Add \$1 if you have a yard. Include 10¢ for each tree.	For every heat register add 50¢ .	Deposit 25¢ for each family photo on display in your home.	Children of homeowners are 116% more likely to graduate college.



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