Albemarle Youth Build
The Albemarle Foundation sponsored its 11th Albemarle Youth Build last spring. Construction was completed in four weekends by students and teachers from Catholic High School, Episcopal High School, St. Joseph’s Academy, and employees of the Albemarle Corp.

LSU Greek Build
The LSU Panhellenic and Sororities spent Greek Week 2017 last spring building two homes with deserving families. These are the 2nd and 24th homes built by the Greeks since they began their partnership with Habitat in 2005. They have raised almost $2 million in support of Habitat’s mission.

Catholic Build
The Catholic Coalition built its 25th Habitat home last spring. The Catholic Coalition includes eight archdiocese churches – Most Blessed Sacrament, Our Lady of Mercy, St. Aloysius, St. George, St. Jane Vianney, St. Patrick, St. Thomas More and St. Alphonsus.

HOME Funds Build
One home was built last fall, and three more 2016 homes were completed with funds from the HOME Investment Partnerships Program, which is the largest Federal block grant to state and local governments designed exclusively to create affordable housing for low-income households.

Methodist Build
The United Methodist Churches of Greater Baton Rouge have been building homes and hope with low-income families since 1988. Last fall they built their 55th home.

Women Build
The 13th Annual Women Build was completed last fall thanks to the sponsorship of the Inner Wheel Club of Baton Rouge, as well as the Pink Tool Belt Bash sponsors and Women Build volunteers. Since 2005, Women Build has been bringing together women to actively address the problem of local women and children living in poverty.

HOME Funds Revitalize Neighborhood
Habitat is about more than the individual families on our service, our mission and philosophy include a broader concept of community development. Our ability to work toward that goal is made possible because of the generosity of individuals, corporations, foundations and government agencies. These contributions are made in the form of gifts, grants and service. Habitat is a nonprofit organization, and we do not receive funding from any private or public sector.

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Making Habitat a Habit: Patti Sollie

Patti Sollie caught “Habitat-itis” 15 years ago when she volunteered for the first time on an older home being rehabilitated. “I have experienced the joy of seeing a home completed and the keys given to a new homeowner. The opportunity to serve in the habitat board in 2014 and, after Greg died, I was still serving on the board. It fits perfectly with my life.” For her, “making a difference is a way of life.”

Patti truly feels that Habitat picked her 15 years ago. “I love Habitat and hope I can continue making a difference in Habitat’s mission.”

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Rev. Dr. Jane Youtz Riecke, Senior Pastor, University United Methodist Church

Habitat for Humanity is a remarkable ministry to the community. Helping low income families own a home is one of the ways in which strong communities strengthen their neighborhoods. I’m proud that University United Methodist Church is a valuable contributor to the work done by Habitat. There is nothing that can compare to the joy in seeing a home completed and the keys turn to new homeowners.

The opportunity to serve in the community by helping someone own a new home is a thrill.