



Impact Report



As part of the bold and big-hearted HabiJax community, YOU have helped us endure, adapt, and improve our efforts to build a better Jacksonville TOGETHER.

When construction volunteers were kept on the sideline, you stepped up to GIVE and ADVOCATE.

When opportunities opened up again, you came out to VOLUNTEER and PIONEER the first ever tiny houses community in Jacksonville.

When our ReStores faced uncertainty, you DONATED and SHOPPED, propelling us to record-setting sales.

While a housing crisis on the First Coast endures, we are inspired by your ENTHUSIASM and GENEROSITY.

In each new challenge we face, your support reminds us:

together we can build anything



A Message from Monte

Our most recently completed fiscal year has been a study in both how far we have come, and how far we have yet to go. HabiJax, our supporters and our clients achieved several notable milestones in 2021-22.

Foremost among them, HabiJax completed a first-ofits kind community – the Tiny Houses on Navaho. Made possible by a generous \$5.5 million contribution by Delores Barr Weaver, these 50 units represent a new way to tackle an old but growing problem. A robust network of partner agencies referred residents to this new community, which now has a two-year waiting list. This underscores both the success of the Tiny Houses and the gravity of the problem such projects seek to address.

Meanwhile, rents in the Jacksonville area have risen by 24% over last year.* Monthly mortgage costs have increased 36% in the same period. These trends dramatically impact the low-to-moderate-income families whom we serve, creating burdensome rental costs and placing homeownership seemingly out of reach. This issue is particularly problematic in Jacksonville's Urban Core neighborhoods, where investment companies sometimes own more than half of the properties. The need for our work and affordable homeownership has never been greater.

Unfortunately, meeting this need is not without its challenges. Since 2019, the cost to build a HabiJax home has increased by 50%. Materials are not only more expensive, they are now more difficult to get, as supply chain issues on key materials have frequently delayed certificates of occupancy and closings on purchases.

*Redfin Rental Report, January 2022

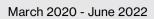
Our product and our mission have never been more in demand, more necessary, or more challenging to deliver. But deliver we have, and deliver we will, because of you! You have delivered for us in the form of financial support, volunteer efforts, client referrals, and property donations. Our community has given us so much, making our motto more than true.

Thank you, and God bless.

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TOGETHER WE CAN BUILD ANYTHING!

Since the beginning of the pandemic









Since 1988











In the past year

July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022



this donated labor is valued at 729,821 according to the Florida Association of Nonprofits





young adults were named Hicks Scholars, enabling higher education at UNF





individuals gave to HabiJax for the first time

\$25,311
was raised by 26 teams in the first ever
Home for Christmas Challenge



every veteran deserves a decent

place to live

According to a report by the National Housing Conference, nearly half of U.S. veterans who are single mothers spend more than 30 percent of their income on housing.







Serving Those Who Served

Respect and admiration for our nation's military is woven deep into the fabric of the First Coast. Jacksonville is home to multiple Navy bases, and a desire to do right by those who have served is a shared goal among many of our residents and businesses.

One such business is CSX, who through their "Pride in Service" program connects national and local heroes (veterans, military, and first responders) and their families to what they need when they need it. Through this Pride in Service program, CSX provided the funds and most of the volunteers to build the house of Ebony, a US Army National Guard Veteran, and her son, Windell.



At the January 7th dedication of her home, Ebony and Windell celebrated with the CSX team that built her house alongside her. CSX Chief of Police Sean Douris spoke for CSX and called owning a home for the first time "a defining moment in your life" and emphasized, "I am just so happy that we could be a part of that for Ebony." As she shared her own words, Ebony was overcome with emotion: "Just seeing

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This is lifechanging for me and my child.

Ebony - homeowner, veteran, mother

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this completed is amazing. All the support from CSX and HabiJax is overwhelming. This is life-changing for me and my child." Ebony's home was the 26th HabiJax home sponsored by CSX since our founding in 1988 and the first for a military veteran through Pride in Service.

Inspired by CSX's vision and by Ebony's service, HabiJax is committing to build a veteran-focused community within the next two years to assist the 6,000 low-to-moderate income veterans in Duval County who are currently living in housing they cannot afford.

2,200 of these hometown heroes have some level of service-related disability. Knowing the social and economic benefit of affordable housing to all residents of Jacksonville, HabiJax will work to ensure that veterans are not overlooked, but further included and involved in our work.

"Tiny" Project, Big Impact

The Tiny Houses on Navaho

Dixie never anticipated needing the kind of help she has received. After working as a social worker for 20 years, health issues took away her ability to work and, eventually, a stable place to live. In a period of homelessness, Dixie found assistance from the Sulzbacher Center.

Meanwhile, HabiJax was pushing through challenges brought on by the pandemic to finish a first-of-its-kind project, The Tiny Houses on Navaho. Longtime HabiJax supporter and philanthropist Delores Barr Weaver championed this innovative community, recognizing the urgent need for a new form of affordable rental housing. Skyrocketing rents had put enormous pressure on many local citizens, making them susceptible to homelessness, unable to save or invest, and unable to fund further education – whether for their children or themselves.

To meet this need, Mrs. Weaver established the "Delores Barr Weaver Tiny House Fund" at the Community Foundation for Northeast Florida with \$5.5M, designed to













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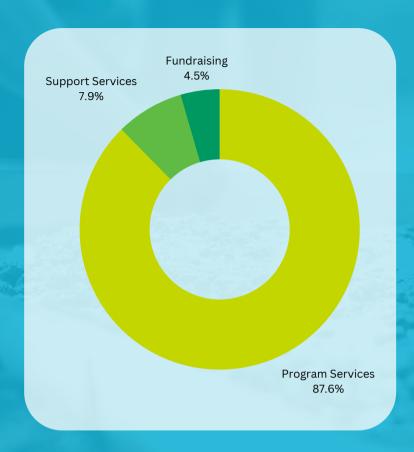
Giving Back. Giving Forward.

fund an ambitious project. HabiJax was challenged to build 50 tiny houses, utilizing our partnerships and volunteers who were just beginning to return to the worksite, and make these houses available for low-to-moderate-income families to rent.

The ribbon was cut on this facility in October 2021 at a ceremony in one of the development's four gorgeous courtyards, which are surrounded by 500-600 square foot tiny houses. Mrs. Weaver dedicated the facility to three of her friends: retired HabiJax CEO Mary Kay O'Rourke, HabiJax Board member Greg Matovina, and project architect Julianne Overby. In her comments at the dedication, she said she hoped that this new type of project was the first of "More. Many, many, many more."

Attending the dedication with a big smile and abundant curiosity about her new, fully furnished home was Dixie, who was referred to the project by Sulzbacher and assisted by another of our partner agencies, Ability Housing. Having already received help with critical needs, Dixie developed a plan that restored her hope and selfsufficiency. The Tiny Houses on Navaho, where she now resides, were central to the success of that plan. Now, with the right services supporting her and a stable, affordable place to live, Dixie is on the path to finishing her Associate Degree in Human Services and finding new ways to serve the community that also served her in a time of need.

Financial Snapshot of Fiscal Year 2021-22



REVENUE

Contributions & Sponsor	ships (cash) \$3,181,376
Non-cash Contributions	\$1,657,003
Grants	\$154,976
Program Services	\$4,707,183
Tiny Home Rental	\$67,728
ReStore Profit	\$805,433
Other	\$725,390
TOTAL	\$11,299,089

EXPENSES

TOTAL	\$8,953,450
Fundraising	\$402,633
Support Services	\$704,168
Program Services	\$7,846,649

Audited financials for the fiscal year will be available online at www.habijax.org in November 2022.

Cost to build one HabiJax home



Supply chain shortages Cost of materials Cost of land Cost of skilled trades

Special Thanks to Our Partners in Lending!









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(\$50,000 and up)

The Delores Barr Weaver Tiny House Fund at



























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(Businesses and Organizations - \$1,500 to \$5,000)

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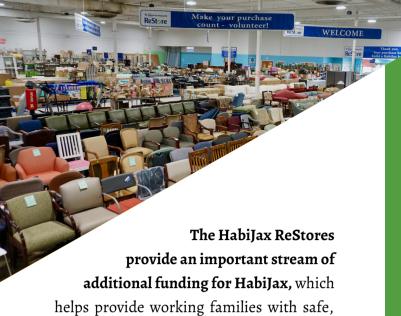
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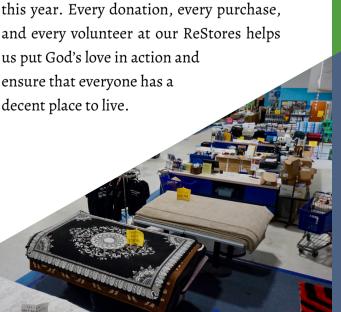
Eugene Kolisnyk, Jim Green, and Carl Holden





additional funding for HabiJax, which helps provide working families with safe, affordable housing in Jacksonville. Revenue from ReStore sales in the 2021-22 fiscal year were sufficient to fund the construction of five new homes.

Materials donated by many generous individuals, remodelers, contractors, retailers. and wholesalers contributed to the success of the ReStores over this past year, generating a sales improvement of 25% over the prior year. By recycling and reusing these donated items, the ReStores kept over 110 tons of these materials from reaching the landfill this year. Every donation, every purchase, and every volunteer at our ReStores helps us put God's love in action and



Our ReStores Measure Up!



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Make a Lasting Impact with These Resources

Writing a will should be an easy task that everyone has access to. This year, HabiJax began partnering with **FreeWill to provide a free online tool** that helps you make a legally valid estate plan, and many supporters have found it useful so far! The entire process takes just 20 minutes to complete, and FreeWill walks you through each step. With this tool, you can secure your future, protect your loved ones, and make a lasting impact on the causes you care about through a planned gift.

Nearly 67% of Americans don't have a will, which is why we are providing this resource to plan for your future at no cost. **Since 2017, FreeWill has raised over \$5.3 billion for nonprofits** and has inspired over 650,000 people to write their wills. FreeWill also helps you organize your non-probate assets, such as an IRA, 401(k), or life insurance policy, in one place, so you can easily plan your beneficiary designations.

No matter the value or nature of your assets, creating a plan:

- Helps you care for and protect your loved ones
- Empowers you to make important decisions, on your own terms
- Gives you an easy way to support the causes you love permanently

FreeWill also offers others tools to help you support what's important to you—and save you money in the long run. If you're 72 or older, you may have to fulfill a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from your IRA this year. **Donating directly from your IRA** can help you meet that requirement. IRA gifts are also generally tax-free, helping to reduce your future tax burden.

Giving the gift of stock can also further sustain our goals and keep money in your pocket. Using FreeWill's online tool, you can transfer your appreciated assets and avoid paying the capital gains tax. You can also take a charitable deduction for the entire donation amount if you own the stock for at least one year and itemize deductions. For those who prefer to have a professional advisor help manage their planning, you can refer them to FreeWill to help you identify your gift intentions and make your gift!

To learn more and create your free will today, visit <u>FreeWill.com/HabiJax</u>.

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Our Mission

Seeking to put God's love into action, Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build safe, affordable homes, communities and hope.

Our Vision

A world where everyone has a decent place to live.

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