



PRESS RELEASE

All Ages Hammered for Habitat

Friends of Paterson Habitat for Humanity from across North Jersey were invited to The Paterson Museum on Saturday, November 5, 2016 for a morning of fun, wall building and fund raising to support Paterson Habitat's mission of helping families build strength, stability and self-reliance through shelter.

Teams of volunteers (faith organizations, schools and businesses) sponsored boards for a Habitat house with a \$250 donation. Family teams also participated by sponsoring boards at a \$100 donation rate. The highlight of the morning for the 215 participants was hammering their boards into wall modules that will become part of a Habitat house in Paterson.

In a special Hammering 4 Habitat tradition, teams inscribed their boards with personal messages to future homeowner families. Everyone was welcome to stop by and see the great work Paterson Habitat supporters were doing for the city of Paterson.

The morning also included family fun activities sponsored by Home Depot of Paterson and Indian Hills High School Interact Club of Wyckoff. Food and refreshments were sponsored by Shoprite of Passaic. A new addition to our activities this year included two tours of the Great Falls National Park and Paterson's historic area led by "MeetPaterson".

Paterson Habitat is very grateful for our Hammering 4 Habitat event sponsors: Valley National Bank (lead sponsor), Railroad Construction Company, Lakeland Bank, Wells Fargo, PSE&G, Shoprite of Passaic and Home Depot of Paterson

PARTICIPATING GROUPS:

Valley National Bank	Manchester High School – MAD Club, Haledon
Lakeland Bank	Montclair Kimberly Academy
Railroad Construction Company	Northern Highlands High School Leo Club, Saddle River
Abundant Life Reformed Church, Wyckoff	Our Lady of Consolation, Wayne
Academy Spine & Physical Therapy, Fair Lawn	Reformed Church of Oradell
Caldwell United Methodist Church	Ridgewood United Methodist Church
Eastern Christian Middle School, Wyckoff	St. Catharine's Reformed Church, Glen Rock
Indian Hills High School Interact Club, Wyckoff	St. Luke Baptist Church, Paterson
	Wayne Presbyterian Church

Link to photos: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/patersonhabitat/albums/72157674778066392>

About Paterson Habitat for Humanity

Driven by the vision that everyone needs a decent place to live, Habitat for Humanity began in 1976 as a grassroots effort. The Christian housing organization has since grown to become a leading global nonprofit working in nearly 70 countries. Leaders in Paterson started a local Habitat for Humanity in 1984 to serve the Paterson and Passaic county area. Families and individuals in need of a hand up partner with Habitat for Humanity to build or improve a place they can call home. Through financial support, volunteering or adding a voice to support affordable housing, everyone can help families achieve the strength, stability and self-reliance they need to build better lives for themselves. Through shelter, we empower. To learn more, visit patersonhabitat.org.

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