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Media Release: *Topeka Habitat for Humanity to host Women Build events May 17-26, 2022*

(Topeka, KS May 10, 2022) Topeka Habitat for Humanity is excited to announce Topeka Habitat's Women Build Week 2022. Over the course of ten days, more than 100 women will join together with Topeka Habitat to learn and build. This event strives to create an inclusive and collaborative atmosphere specifically for women to help themselves and their community. Volunteers on the build site will work under the guidance of construction staff and alongside future Topeka Habitat homeowners to build homes and stronger, safer communities. In addition to volunteer opportunities, there will also be several educational opportunities including a *Home Maintenance 101* class and a *Women and Power Tools* workshop. Each year Women Build Week makes a huge impact, with hundreds of volunteer hours poured into our community, new skills learned, and meaningful relationships formed. Women Build volunteers will be at working at **2600 SW Buchanan Street**, future home to our 113th Topeka Habitat Homeowner.

Women Build volunteers can be found on-site working, May 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 24th, and 26th. There are still a few volunteers slots open. To sign-up visit topekahabitat.org/women-build-week.

"This is such a rewarding experience for all involved. Our goals for Women Build Week 2022 are to empower, unite, advocate, and take action. We are providing the tools for women to empower and educate themselves, while taking action on the build site and advocating for safe and affordable housing in our community." said Nikki MacMillan, COO, Topeka Habitat for Humanity. "Women Build Week is one of our favorite events - it is an incredibly rewarding and powerful experience."

Topeka Habitat's Women Build Week 2022 is made possible thanks to a multitude of sponsors and volunteers including: Advisors Excel, Bob's Janitorial, Cohort Digital, Debacker's Inc., First Congregational Church, Horton's Tax Services, Jamie Hornbaker-State Farm Agency, KBS Constructors, MCP Group, Meadowlark Graphics, SIS (Sisters in Solidarity), Sloan Law Firm, and Vaughn Pediatric Dentistry.

A full schedule of Women Build events can be found below. More information can be found on our website at topekahabitat.org/women-build-week or our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/TopekaHabitat. Pre-registration is required for all Women Build events.

About Topeka Habitat for Humanity

Topeka Habitat is a non-profit, community housing development organization that brings people together to build homes, communities and hope. Dedicated to ending substandard housing, Topeka Habitat builds and repairs homes in a partnership model. All of these efforts are additionally supported by the Topeka ReStore, located at 121 NE Gordon, which sells donated home improvement items at a discount to raise funds for Topeka Habitat. For more information visit www.topekahabitat.org or call 785-234-4322.



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Women Build 2022 Schedule of Events

5/17/2022, 5:30 – 7:00pm	Home Maintenance 101 Class @ ReStore
5/18/2022, PM Build Shift	Home Depot Volunteers
5/19/2022, AM Build Shift	Community Volunteers
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5/20/2022, AM Build Shift	Cohort Digital & KBS Constructors
5/20/2022, PM Build Shift	Sloan Law Firm & MCP Group
5/21/2022, AM Build Shift	Community Volunteers
5/21/2022, PM Build Shift	First Congregational Church Volunteers
5/23/2022, 5:00 – 7:00pm	Women and Power Tools Workshop @ ReStore
5/24/2022, AM Build Shift	Bob's Janitorial Volunteers
5/24/2022, PM Build Shift	KBS Constructor Volunteers
5/26/2022, AM Build Shift	Professional Women in Building
5/26/2022, PM Build Shift	Advisors Excel Volunteers



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