Habitat for Humanity

A pictorial review of projects supported by my friends and family (1993-2002)
Jimmy Carter Work Project 1993

- HFH Waterloo Region has built 43 homes since 1989. Here are a few which were made possible by your support.
- My Dad and I walked from Lansing, MI to Waterloo, ON to fund-raise prior to the build.

10 homes were built in Waterloo in 1993. I worked on the home for the Dryer family →
Dad said he was “retired” from doing long walks, so I walked solo from Marinette, WI along the Lake Michigan shore to Sault Ste. Marie, ON for my fund-raiser.

Filling in that last space on Daniel Street, one year after the Carter Build! Part of the build crew stapling vapour barrier.

The Gobran family (kids not pictured)

The next year (1995), Dad “unretired” and we walked together for the first part of our fund-raiser. We started in Hancock, MI. He finished in Escanaba, MI. I followed the Lake Superior shore and finished in Sault Ste. Marie for the second year in a row. Indeed, Dad has done a long walk in support of HFH projects each year (except for 1994) from 1990 to the present!
Bike Atlanta 1996

- Many of you supported my bike ride from Waterloo to Atlanta to celebrate Habitat for Humanity’s 20th Anniversary!
- The McCormick family, homeowners of Waterloo Region’s first Cambridge house.
Moo-vin’ on down the road! Habitat moved and renovated a house donated by Beatrice Dairy as one of our 1996 build projects.

← The Kenkel family moved into the home.
Staying closer to home, I walked/ran every street in Waterloo in 1997. Sue, Niki and some of my running buddies (especially Paul Heintzman) accompanied me!

Our funds supported this project, photographed just before windows were put in place!

The Nichols/Quiriple family (left) and HFH volunteers
The Cerritos family (centre) and HFH volunteers
The Ponce family (right) and HFH staff and volunteers
Sue and I biked “Europe” for our 1998 Fund-raiser. That is to say, we rode through southern Ontario towns like Stratford, Tavistock, Petersburg, Baden, New Hamburg, Heidelberg, Waterloo, Cambridge, and Paris!

The Daub family with HFH Board Chair John Bigelow

The Barrios family received their hammer from their family counsellor. Antonio Barrios remains a stalwart HFH supporter, working on at least one build each year.
Sydney Street Houses 1999

- Realizing that distance did not equate with total pledges, I ran the Oktoberfest 5K for my 1999 fund-raiser. This freed up some time for me to participate on the Sydney Street build honouring Kevin Jutzi.
- The Koebel family (l)
- The Martinez family (r)
Ed Havitz Houses 2000

- The build crew (Havitz family & friends!) along with the new homeowners, the Gualtieri and Montano families
- Grandkids sang at the dedication
- Dad presents a Bible to the Montanos at the dedication
Coldwell Banker House 2001

- Sue and I entered the HFH Golf Tournament for our fund-raiser.
- Later that summer, I worked on this build project. Mike Ryan was a bit tearful upon receiving keys to his family’s new house.
- Here we are building and raising a wall (I’m pretending to supervise).
United Church House 2002

- Last year we organized a 5k Family Fun Run which raised $16,000 toward the United Church House.
- I worked on the build for a week. Here are some Emmanuel United Church members in action! (Top right – Carolyn Sullivan; bottom right, Karen Dixon; top left, Tim Mereu)
- The Hernandez family are the new homeowners. Here are Juan and Irma working on-site.
2003 Golf Tournament Fund-Raiser

- This year Sue and I are golfing again! If you would like to pledge us, the money will go toward one of the seven HFH homes being constructed in Waterloo Region this summer!

- In addition, I’m travelling down to Anniston, AL with my Dad to spend a week working at the 2003 Jimmy Carter Work Project. We will be part of a 2000 member crew building 96 homes in three cities in Alabama and Georgia!

- When Dad and I signed up for the 1993 Jimmy Carter Work Project in Waterloo, HFH had built about 20,000 houses worldwide. There were less than 10 in Waterloo Region. By the end of this year there will be 50 homes in Waterloo Region and over 130,000 worldwide. Nearly ¾ of a million people now own HFH homes! These numbers should double over the next five years. Thanks for your continued support of this housing ministry!