



everyone deserves
a decent
place to live

Spring 2021

We asked and you helped support us and your neighbors!

Aging in Place is a movement. This program aids seniors in aging safely in their own homes allowing them to live independently, receive local healthcare and supportive services, and contribute to their neighborhoods. It is apparent: a livable community for older adults is a livable community for everyone.

Since relaunching the Aging in Place program, we have hit the ground running. Sonoma County's low-income elder residents need our community's help. Help to repair their homes, stay in their homes, and feel safe in their homes. Habitat's program not only brings pride and dignity back to homeowners and communities, but it also helps preserve the existing affordable housing stock.

One of the recently finished critical home repair projects was for a couple. Don and Ellen's home of 17 years had a wooden front deck porch with stairs leading to the entryway of their home. The deck was rotting and sinking, nearly beyond repair. Don and Ellen started covering the rotted holes with plywood to avoid falls and injury, a health and safety hazard for all. Our construction team did several homesite visits. These visits included measurements of the deck and stairway replacement, the permit approval, and CAD drawing. With our superb team and nine dedicated volunteers, we built a new and safe redwood deck for Ellen and Don to enjoy for years to come. Don and Ellen shared their appreciation, "We cannot find words to express our thanks and appreciation for your repairs to our crumbly deck. The professionalism and skilled work by your teams of volunteers has amazed us! Thank you, thank you to wonderful Julie and her team of super builders!"

This is just one of the numerous projects requested and completed because of your support. The need is great, and we are happy to help. Thank you for your help!

If you, or someone you know needs critical home repair please contact Julie Castle at repair@habitatsoco.org.



Top: Don & Ellen — Middle: Rotted deck — Bottom: Super Builders



Meet Julie. Julie is our Aging in Place and Neighborhood Revitalization Program Manager. She started her career in construction through the AmeriCorps program here at Habitat Sonoma County in September 2016. We're excited to have Julie leading this program.

"I love working with selfless people who volunteer their time. I get to teach what I know about construction, and I learn from them too! The work is hard, sweaty, dirty work, but it is the most emotionally and spirituality fulfilling work I can imagine," said Julie Castle.



Habitat Sonoma County further embraces our mission by collaborating with community residents and partners to maximize resources and improve quality of life in the entire neighborhood with our Neighborhood Revitalization Program.

On May 14 & 15 we are partnering with SPARC, Inc. (Services and Programs Assisting Residents in our Communities) on two neighborhood projects. One in Santa Rosa and the other in Rohnert Park. If you are interested in volunteering on one of these two neighborhood projects from 10a-2p, please contact Jacqui Salyer at j.salyer@habitatsoco.org.

ReStore voted #1 Best Resale Store

Thank you Sonoma County! Habitat ReStore of Sonoma County is a reuse store that accepts donations and sells home improvement items to the public at a fraction of the retail price.

Proceeds are used to help build strength, stability, self-reliance, and shelter in Sonoma County — a good deal for you, your community, and the environment.

<https://www.habitatsoco.org/restore/>

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Hours of Operation:

Monday – Friday: 10:00 am – 6:00 pm

Saturday: 9am-5pm

Sunday: Closed

Donations:

Monday – Friday: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Saturday: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

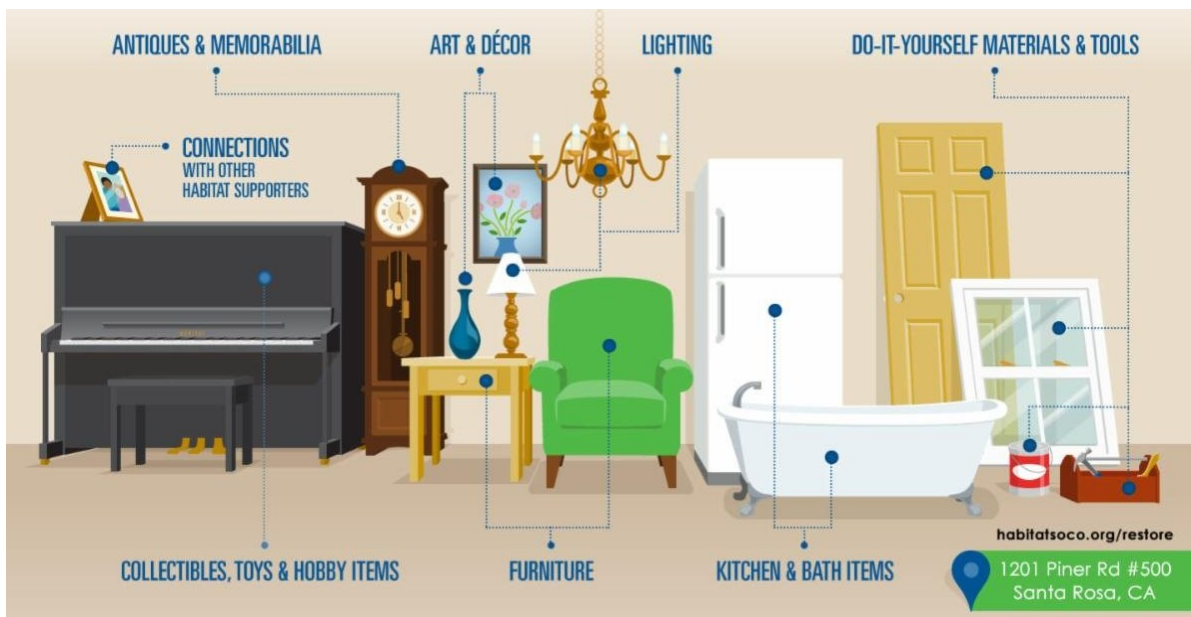
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ReStore needs your gently-used furniture, household items, tools, hardware, and more.



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