



**Habitat Happenings**  
Newsletter for Habitat Families  
**March 2025**

**Thought of the Month: Always Take Some Time For Yourself; By Doing So You Are Actually Making A New And The Best Version Of You.**

**HFHNCC Announcement**

**Habitat for Humanity North Central Connecticut Newsletters** are now available online:  
<https://hfhnc.org/homeowner-newsletters/>

**Office Hours**

Family Services office hours will be **9 am-3:30**  
Contact Family Services 860-541-2208 ext. 2210

- Please contact Family Services to update any changes regarding:
  - Phone Number and Email Contact Information
  - Home Insurance Policy Information
- You may contact us for information about:
  - Mortgage Payments
  - Home Insurance Coverage & Payments
- You should contact your town/city hall regarding:
  - Mortgage Documents
  - Property Lines
- If you have been in your home over a year, we suggest contacting home repair resources such as:
  - Electricians
  - Plumbers
  - Handyman

**Be Aware Spam Mail**

If you have received any mail in regards to warranties “from” Habitat for Humanity please disregard! HFHNCC does not send mail regarding warranties, AT ALL. If you have any questions please call the office. **However, if it asks you to send personal information to a specific address or number it’s likely a scam.**

**Giving Back**

Family partners are needed. If you are interested in partnering with a prospective family please contact Family Services: **860-541-2208 ext. 2210**

**Financial Freedom Center**

**Exciting News!** Habitat has teamed up with **Northwest Community Bank** to bring you a series of free Zoom workshops that will help you take control of your finances and we want to invite you!

**Our first workshops started on, November 19, 2024.** Workshops Dates & Classes:

- **Understanding Escrow and Insurance payments:** ~~November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024~~
- **Fraud prevention:** ~~January 21, 2025~~
- **How to leverage your tax return, saving strategies:** ~~February 11, 2025~~
- **What makes up a credit report and score:** **March 11, 2025**
- **Budgeting, saving and retirement:** April 8, 2025
- **Understanding different types of debt**(revolving, mortgage, installment, others): April 29, 2025

Contact Guirleene Morales- **on how to Sign-up.** 860-541-2208, ext. 2213

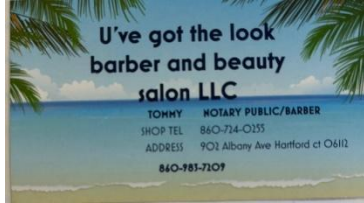
**Senior Advice**

Based on conversations we have had with families across the US, it can be an overwhelming and heartbreaking time; and there are many questions since every situation is unique. We created a detailed guide to help families find the **Best Memory Care Facility** in Connecticut. You can find our memory care guide here:

<https://www.senioradvice.com/memory-care/connecticut>

**ATTENTION HOMEOWNERS!!!**

Are you an entrepreneur? Do you own a business? Habitat for Humanity will love to help you spread the word about your business in our family newsletter. Please mail in your business card or business information to HFHNCC, Family Services, PO Box 1933, Hartford CT 06144-1933



**A Brush With Kindness (ABWK) Program**

We have extended services to the Tolland County servings:

- o Bolton
- o Ellington
- o Somers
- o Stafford
- o Tolland
- o Union
- o Vernon

HFHNCC ABWK program has resume taking applications. This program is a zero percent loan home repair program to assist Veterans, Elderly and those with limited mobility with a minor exterior home repair (interior repair for Veterans). Contact Guirlene Morales for further information. 860-541-2208, ext. 221



**Spring Home Maintenance Tips For Your House**

Some maintenance tasks should be done in spring because they help prep your home for the season and the summer to come. Others should be done because spring offers warming temperatures that make it possible to do things that you couldn't do in winter.

- o Clean Gutters
- o Replace HVAC Filter
- o Have HVAC Unit Serviced
- o Check Batteries in Carbon Monoxide and Smoke Detectors
- o Clean Refrigerator Coils
- o Seal Tile Grout
- o Have Septic Tank or Grinder Pump Inspected
- o Clean Dryer Vent
- o Close Fire Place Damper After Last Fire of the Season
- o Check the Caulking Around Windows
- o Get Lawn Equipment Ready; Clean and Sharpen Garden Tools
- o Flush Water Heater
- o Clean Siding of House
- o Clean and Inspect Roof
- o Fix Chipped or Damaged Paint
- o Clean Screen and Windows
- o Trim Vegetation Around Home
- o Get Driveway Seal Coated
- o Look Over Deck and Give It Coat of Stain or Water Repellant
- o Check Attic or Basement for Water Penetration, Water Leaks or Water Stains

**HFHNCC ReStore**

Attention Habitat homeowners!!! Stop by our Restore locations and receive 10% off when mention you are a Habitat homeowner!! Blessings and enjoy!



**March Holidays & Awareness Days**



March 21



March 7



March 9



March 17



A flyer for the 'TRY-A-TRADE' program. It includes a photo of students in safety gear, the program title, dates (Monday, April 14 - Thursday, April 17, 2025), and a list of career paths: Water Treatment, Water Pollution Control, Operations, Facility Maintenance, Electrical, and Instrumentation and Control. It also provides program details and contact information.



# 100 Homes In 1000 Days Buy your first home!



Are you dreaming of owning a home? The 100 Homes in 1000 Days Program is here to help you make that dream a reality! We are dedicated to assisting individuals and families in securing affordable housing through education, resources, and support.

<p><b>March 1, 2025</b> 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM</p> <p><b>Understanding Credit and Budgeting</b></p> <p>The level of credit you are how to improve your scores and how to create a budget and spending plan that works for you. Gain the tools and knowledge to manage your money wisely and get support for homeownership.</p>	<p><b>March 8, 2025</b> 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM</p> <p><b>Prepurchase Homebuyer</b></p> <p>Get ready to make your homeownership dreams a reality! Everything you need to know before purchasing a home, from budgeting, to housing, understanding mortgage options, down payments and closing costs assistance programs.</p>	<p><b>March 15, 2025</b> 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM</p> <p><b>Landlord Education</b></p> <p>Understand your rights and responsibilities! Essential information for both landlords and tenants, from legal matters, security deposits, eviction processes, and fair housing laws.</p>	<p><b>March 22, 2025</b> 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM</p> <p><b>Inspection, Appraisal and Maintenance</b></p> <p>The key steps to securing your home! Home inspections, appraisals, ongoing maintenance, home renovations and safeguarding your investment.</p>	<p><b>March 29, 2025</b> 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM</p> <p><b>Legacy Building</b></p> <p>Secure your legacy and safeguard your future! Estate planning topics, including wills, beneficiary designations and power of attorney, helping you understand how to secure your most treasured assets.</p>
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Join us on Saturdays for our FREE Workshop Series!



- All Classes are mandatory
- Certificate of completion
- Incentive offered

REGISTER HERE



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