



## Habitat for Humanity's Cars for Homes Program Steers Families Toward Local Affordable Housing

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AMERICUS, GA ([PRWEB](#)) August 2, 2005 - "Steering more low-income families toward local affordable homeownership opportunities, Habitat for Humanity is launching its nationwide "Cars for Homes" vehicle donation program.

Cars for Homes takes donated cars, trucks, boats, motorcycles, RVs and other vehicles and sells them through automobile auctions, recyclers or salvage yards to raise funds that help build simple, decent homes. Funds generated from vehicle sales benefit the local Habitat for Humanity affiliate and community where the donation is made.

Habitat began its Cars for Homes program in the fall of 2003 in the Seattle area. Since that time, car donations have raised hundreds of thousands of dollars that ultimately help build homes in partnership with low-income families.

"We are excited to expand Habitat's Cars for Homes program across the country," said Marcia Rundle, Cars for Homes general manager. "It provides a hassle-free and easy way to give to Habitat. Anyone can help provide affordable housing within their own community by donating vehicles they aren't using or are ready to sell or trade-in."

Donors can call the Cars for Homes toll-free number or process their car donation online. Donor contact, title and vehicle information is collected and, upon acceptance of the donation, arrangements are made for the vehicle, keys and title to be picked up for processing. Habitat for Humanity receives between 70 and 80 percent of the sales proceeds after towing fees and other expenses. Donors receive an acknowledgement letter for their car donation and can check with the Internal Revenue Service or their tax advisor for information on the tax deductibility of their donation.

More information on how to donate a car, truck, boat, RV or other vehicle to help eliminate substandard housing can be obtained by calling Habitat for Humanity Cars for Homes at 1-877-277-HFHI (4344) toll free, or at <http://www.carsforhomes.org>.

### About Cars for Homes

Cars for Homes is Habitat for Humanity's national program that provides donors a quick and easy process for donating cars, trucks, boats, RVs and other vehicles to help build homes in partnership with local low-income families in need of decent, affordable shelter. [www.carsforhomes.org](http://www.carsforhomes.org)

### About Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity International, based in Americus, Ga., is an ecumenical Christian ministry dedicated to eliminating poverty housing. By the end of 2005, Habitat will have built its 200,000th house and more than one million people will be living in Habitat homes they helped build and are buying through no-profit, zero-interest mortgages. [www.habitat.org](http://www.habitat.org)



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