



Habitat for Humanity®

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OCTOBER 20TH-25TH

Build-A-Thon 2014
University of Oklahoma

The OU Chapter for Habitat for Humanity invites you and your organization to participate in this year's Build-A-Thon, a campus-wide event part of the Act! Speak! Build! Week. All proceeds benefit Cleveland County Habitat for Humanity and their mission of eliminating sub-standard housing in the Cleveland Country area. Teams will construct 'houses' on campus and will be competing for titles, prizes, and the highest fundraiser. This event is a fun way to raise awareness of the need for decent, affordable housing in our community.

Date: Wednesday, October 22, 2014

Time: 8am to 6pm

Location: South Oval

To register you must complete the following:

- **Have at least 5 team members** (may be from more than 1 organization)
- **Submit a registration form**
- **Have the supervising team member attend an info. meeting**
- **Pay the \$30 entry fee (cash or check)**

*Registration will continue until the morning of the event at 10 am; however early applications are preferred.

** We have made many changes to make Build-A-Thon a more wholesome and positive event. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at Lillian.L.Bocquin-1@ou.edu.

SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22ND, 2014

8am: *Check in begins by the statue, on the North end of the South Oval. Begin setting up your 'house.'

8:30am: Solicitation (asking for money) and advocating (telling about your fact) begins.

9am: **KICK OFF!** Meet at the headquarters.

10am: First change pick up occurs (execs will collect the money you have received so far and count it). This will occur once each hour.

12pm: Free food will be passed out to volunteers and house builders.

2pm: Service project and build sign up for Saturday begins.

4pm: Solicitation ends and execs will count the money that each group accrued.
(Entertainment will be provided.)

5pm: CLEAN UP! You MUST have members there to help with clean up of your house.

6pm: Awards ceremony, announcement of total raised, and celebration of Habitat for Humanity! Thank you everyone!

* You can check in at any time during the day. (The earlier the better for fundraising.)

****Weather:** Severe weather will postpone the event. However, slightly- less-than-pleasant conditions will not. Groups will be notified in the event of cancellation or postponement.

RULES!

1. There should be one person in your 'house' at all times; however **DO NOT** skip class to stay in the house (if we hear of any hazing of members or participants skipping class, we will take dollars off of your total).
2. You must stay at least 2 feet away from the sidewalk at all times!
 - i. You may have people collecting on the opposite side of the sidewalk as long as they are not crossing back and forth excessively.
 - ii. This includes all objects, buckets, signs, etc.
3. Your 'house' must fit within an 8 ft. by 8 ft. perimeter.
4. You must display signage or facts on your house, informing people of the importance of Habitat. (This includes facts about poverty, Habitat's mission, etc. Contact us for help with facts or visit cchfh.org.)
5. At least one member of your group must attend an informational session prior to the day of the event, and ALL MEMBERS must sign a release of liability waiver.
6. You must clean up your own 'house' at the end of the event. (If you don't there will be a \$100 fine applied to your organization.)
7. Materials:
 - i. NO wood AT ALL
 - ii. NO Power tools (you must use ONLY hand tools)
 - iii. NO Furniture or large appliances
 - iv. You may have electronics such as laptops, phones, and small stereos to play music (volume must be kept low).
 - v. You may use paint but NO spray paint and you must bring a tarp. (If you get paint on the grass there will be a fine of \$50 charged to your organization)
 - vi. ALLOWED: Cardboard, pallets, recycled plastic, tape, nails/screws, glue, manual tools, etc.
8. Absolutely **NO** alcohol or other illegal substances. We will have executives patrolling throughout the day. Your group will be disqualified from all competitions if substances are present at your 'home.'

* If you break minor rules, five dollars will be subtracted from your earned total for the competition to see who raised the most.

** There will be opportunities during the event to earn extra dollars to add on to your total.

AWARDS & CRITERIA

Raised the Most Money Award

These groups have collected the most money by the end day of the event. There will be 1st and 2nd place awards for both the small groups and the large groups.

Thinking Outside the 'House' Award

This group has a 'house' that goes above and beyond in creativity and ingenuity in its construction and design. It exemplifies uniqueness and creativity compared to the other 'houses'.

'Home Sweet Home' Award

This is awarded to the group whose 'house' is the most welcoming and home-like.

School Spirit Award

This goes to the 'house' with the most OU school spirit.

'Green House' Award

This award goes to the group with most recyclable and environmentally-friendly materials and elements.

Most Enthusiastic Award

This is the group that is the most spirited (within the rules) regardless of amount they raised.

Most Sturdy 'House' Award

The 'house' that could withstand the most "Oklahoma Weather."

Ways to get extra dollars added onto your total:

- For every member who signs up to go to a build you get \$10
- If your group breaks **no** rules throughout the day you get \$5
- Spin the wheel and win for extra dollars
- Get an organization or business to match your donations and you can potentially double your money!

*****'Houses' will be judged at approximately 5pm, and awards presented at 6:00pm*****