

We create opportunity for people to *thrive* through innovative housing solutions.



**Habitat**  
for Humanity®  
Grey Bruce

## A HABITAT HOMEOWNER STORY OF SUCCESS

In 2013, Niki and her 2 children Makinlee, age 8 and Corbin, age, 4 were living in a basement apartment just across the road from a Habitat Build that was taking place in Hanover, ON.

The recently separated, mother of 2 young children was working 2 jobs and struggling immensely to make ends meet each month.

*Niki applied to become a Habitat homeowner*

“The Habitat homeowner opportunity came at a time when I really needed to get back on my feet. It gave my kids opportunities they otherwise would never have had to attend camps and play hockey.”

In October, 2023, Niki called Habitat Grey Bruce to share, that after 10 years, she has established a solid foundation for her family and would like to sell her Habitat home and “graduate” from the homeownership program. Niki’s children are now 14 and 18.

Niki expresses her gratitude for Habitat’s affordable homeownership model. “My family wouldn’t be as far ahead as we are without this opportunity. It can be used as a stepping stone, it’s definitely worth it! I have no regrets, it was a good decision for me and my family...it’s definitely an opportunity that anyone who can, should take!”



Niki’s Habitat house will become HOME to a new partner family in Hanover Habitat Grey Bruce is honoured to have made a difference in changing the lives of local families like Niki’s, supporting them to have a safe, secure place to grow and plan a future. Habitat homes create opportunities for more children to attend college and university. Habitat helps a families *thrive* and BUILD a healthier life.

### ABOUT HABITAT GREY BRUCE

People in our community and all over the world partner with Habitat for Humanity to build or improve a place they can call home. Habitat homeowners help build their own homes alongside volunteers and purchase their home with a no-down payment, no-interest mortgage with payments set at 25% of their income. Not only does this provide affordable housing for families in need, it also enables them to build assets, reduce their dependence on other forms of social assistance and contribute to the community through paying property taxes.

As an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity Canada, Habitat for Humanity Grey Bruce has served 329 people including 201 children since 1987. With our help, Habitat homeowners are given the opportunity to thrive, enabling them to build a better life for themselves and their children. To learn more about our non-profit or about becoming a Habitat homeowner, please contact us directly or visit our website.

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