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## **Marshfield Area Habitat for Humanity's Don Zais Receives 2017 Andrus Award for Community Service**

In October, Marshfield Area Habitat for Humanity's "Mr. Habitat", Don Zais, was presented with AARP Wisconsin's highest and most prestigious honor – the "2017 Andrus Award for Community Service". Recipients of the Andrus Award are chosen for their ability to enhance the lives of AARP members and prospective members, improve the community in which the work was performed, and inspire others to volunteer.

"This award honors Don's tireless commitment to making life better for others," said AARP Wisconsin State Director Sam Wilson. "Through decades of volunteer service, Don has built up the trust, influence and respect it takes to accomplish great things for those in need throughout the Marshfield area and across all of Wood County. He is a true pillar of his community."

Don genuinely enjoys working alongside families and helping them build a new life for themselves. Don works to improve their "dignity and purpose by allowing them to either remain living in their homes, after making needed repairs, or through his coordination – building them new, affordable homes," said fellow MAHFH Board Member Ed Korlesky, who nominated Don for the award.

"Through Don's efforts, the Marshfield area has become known for giving individuals second chances," Korlesky said. "Working with agencies like the United Way and Wood County Division on Aging and Disabilities, local and area residents know where to turn to when they are in need of assistance. Don always finds time to help those in need."





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## Built With Love

Scentsy Inc. has a very giving spirit. Generosity is a key core value and they donate approximately one million dollars each year to causes they care about. We are partnering together to make a difference in building strong families and stable communities.

Scentsy Inc. and Habitat for Humanity International (HFHI) have launched a new partnership benefitting HFHI that will be in-market from September 2017 through Fall of 2018 in the US, Canada, Mexico and 12 other countries. The first cause product is a customized house scent warmer, Built With Love. For each "house" sold, Scentsy will donate \$9.00 to HFHI.

Ariel Oehmichen, Scentsy Director from Colby, will be doing an online fundraiser for MAHFH. You can support by visiting <https://arielo.Scentsy.us/party/8493190> and placing an order now through Dec. 20, 2017. Ariel will be donating her commission to MAHFH and orders can be shipped right to your home. They also have a new warmer bar scent, "Welcome Home".

Thank you for supporting Marshfield Area Habitat for Humanity!



## Milestone Year for Habitat for Humanity

It was a milestone year for Habitat for Humanity. U.S. affiliates tithed \$14,006,000 in fiscal year 2017 (July 2016-June 2017), which represents 3,112 additional families living in safe and decent housing abroad.

All US affiliates are asked to tithe 10% of their annual unrestricted donations received to Habitat International for their work around the globe. We can choose where we want our money to go from the following categories: Global Mission Fund, Orphans and Vulnerable Groups Fund, Disaster Response Fund, or a specific National organization.

Marshfield Habitat tithed \$2,957 to Habitat's Global Mission Fund in 2017. Since 1996 MAHFH has tithed \$63,715, which has served 20 international families.

We thank you for your donations which help us reach new goals in giving to others.

# Thank you for your generous support

## Gifts from October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017

### \$5000 +

Margaret King Habitat for Humanity Fund  
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Neve, La Verne  
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Thornton, John & Lisa  
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Wagner, Stephen & Patricia  
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Hilgart, Gerald  
Iverson, Burt  
Kelman, Don & Cynthia  
Kofka, Karen  
Meyer, Sue  
Moen, Noreen  
Morris, Jane  
Nystrom, Don & Barb  
Schreiber, Donald  
Swenson, Ken & Jean  
Welch, William & Beverly  
Wolf, Diane  
Wolfe, Janet E.  
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Wyman, Lynn & Rick

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## Marshfield Area Habitat for Humanity 2017 Partner Family Moves In!



*Paulina and Eddy Kruger, along with their three children Adrian, Gabriel and Valerie volunteer for the Hub City Days Duathlon as part of their sweat equity hours for home ownership. As MAHFH's newest partner family, the Krugers moved into their new home in 2017.*

### Ways to Give

**Donate** – Habitat is supported through individual donors and private grants. Your support - \$20 per month – or any amount you can afford helps local families build a decent place to call home.

**Amazon Smile** – shop at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of your eligible purchases to a charitable organization. Just choose Marshfield Area Habitat for Humanity!.

**Thrivent Choice** – a program for members of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. Allows members to designate a portion of their premiums to non-profit charitable organizations such as Habitat.

**Cars for Homes** - Call Cars for Homes toll-free at 1-877-277-4344 for more information (they take boats, RVs and trucks too).

### Regional ReStore

Marshfield Area Habitat for Humanity has partnered with our Regional ReStore to collect donations and support local low income, working families.

The Regional Restore is located just two miles south of Mauston, WI and accepts many different items including furniture, building materials, electrical items, household goods, stoves, flat screen TV's and much more .

The ReStore will even pick up your items. Call 715-384-7533 or 888-844-8055 to schedule a pick up.

Store hours are Tuesday-Friday 10am-5pm and Saturday 9am-4pm. For more information, visit [www.centralwi-restore.com](http://www.centralwi-restore.com).

**Regional Habitat ReStore**

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