



Dear friend,

Thank you for your interest in the Lexington Habitat for Humanity (LHFH) Ambassador program for young professionals. The LHFH Ambassador program provides participants with opportunities to develop their leadership skills among a diverse group of their contemporaries with a common interest – eliminating substandard housing. As Habitat for Humanity’s founder Millard Fuller said, we all look forward to a time when there are “no more shacks” and when everyone in our community has a safe, decent and affordable home.

Through the Habitat Ambassadors we seek to educate a greater number of people in our community about the need for simple, decent, affordable homes. Whether your strengths are writing, interpersonal relations, money management, fundraising, speaking, or simply using a hammer, Lexington Habitat can use your talents. We are looking for young people who want to be engaged in their community in ways that change lives and, in turn, transform the community itself. Participating in Habitat’s work will lead to new friends and a sense of satisfaction that your time has been well spent.

The inaugural “class” of Ambassadors began their work with LHFH in the fall of 2009 and have made a great impact on the affiliate and the wider community. We are eager to add another group to work alongside the current Ambassadors, and hope you will consider applying for a position in the 2018 class.

Sincerely,

Laura Howard
Lexington Habitat Volunteer Coordinator



Lexington Habitat for Humanity

Lexington Habitat for Humanity is an ecumenical Christian ministry partnering with volunteers and donors to eliminate substandard housing. Families in need achieve homeownership by purchasing decent, affordable homes they help build with community partners.

LHFH Ambassador Program

The LHFH Ambassador Program is designed to give *diverse, energetic, committed community members* leadership experience in support of LHFH in a variety of capacities. Ambassadors will serve as liaisons between LHFH and the Lexington community to promote the mission of LHFH to donors, volunteers, partner families, and others. Ambassadors will play an essential role in LHFH's mission and hopefully will be inspired to become the next generation of LHFH leaders.

Ambassadors will receive training in the history, mission, and practices of LHFH and will have the opportunity to support LHFH through many different means. Ambassadors may participate in build dates if interested, work in the ReStore, assist with special events, support fundraising events, recruit new Ambassadors, and may be asked to serve on a committee. Ambassadors are asked to serve two year terms, with the option to extend.

Requirements of Ambassadors:

- Complete orientation/training session
- Attend meetings (typically monthly)
- Volunteer with the group or at special events
- Participate in at least one fundraising/advocacy event per year (either an existing event, or help with the creation of a new event as needed)

Key dates/events:

- ***Applications will be accepted until March 31st, 2018***
- Interviews of potential members. Allow 30 minutes for the interview and tour of our facility at 700 E. Loudon Ave. Interviews will be held on a rolling basis through April
- New Ambassador Training/Orientation: In depth history of HFHI and LHFH, Family Selection, Partner Family process, Sponsorship/Resource Development process, home construction, and ReStore policy. **Date TBD. The training date will be set to allow the largest number of new Ambassadors to attend at once.**



- First Meeting/Social Gathering. Meet with other Ambassadors, staff, and get an update of upcoming volunteer dates and the dates of meetings through the end of the year. Date TBD.

Ambassador Time Commitments:

- Monthly Tasks:
 - Ambassador Meeting (as needed)
 - Possible Committee Meeting
- Yearly Tasks:
 - Work on the annual Bids 4 Builds online auction fundraiser
 - Participate in volunteer and event opportunities throughout the year
 - Take leadership role in execution of a fundraiser/advocacy event, and/or assist with creating a new event as necessary



2018 Ambassador Program Application

Please note: Applications are due by **March 31st**. Interviews will be conducted for chosen candidates following on a rolling basis through April. Upon receipt of application, LHFH staff will contact applicants chosen for interviews. Final decisions regarding new Ambassadors will be made by **May 15th**. A mandatory orientation for new members will be held in April or May .

Date: _____

Name: _____

Date of birth: _____

Mailing Address:

Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-MAIL: _____

**Information will not be sold or distributed to any outside party; it will only be used for LHFH internal purposes.*

Employer: _____ Position: _____

Other Affiliations and Interests (e.g. religious congregation, professional organizations, community involvement, etc):

Possible Committee Interests (Please rank your interest in the following committees, with 1 being the highest interest-level):

 Resource Development: Undergirds resource development activities of the affiliate & the ReStore including fundraising, special events, marketing and communications.

 Family Selection: Reviews applications and recommends families to the Board for selection into the program.

 Finance: Responsible for insuring the financial stability of the affiliate. Responsibilities include financial planning, resource development and management, and preparation of the budget.



What is your previous experience with Habitat for Humanity?

How did you find out about the LHFH Ambassador program?

Why do you want to become an LHFH Ambassador?

What contributions do you feel you can make to LHFH as an Ambassador?

Thank you for your interest in the LHFH Ambassador Program!

*Please return this application on or before **March 31st** to Ambassadors@lexhabitat.org, or via mail to:*

Lexington Habitat for Humanity, Attn: Laura Howard
700 E. Loudon Ave., Lexington, KY 40505

For any questions regarding the Ambassadors Program,
Call Laura Howard at 859-252-2224 ext. 113 or Email LauraH@lexhabitat.org