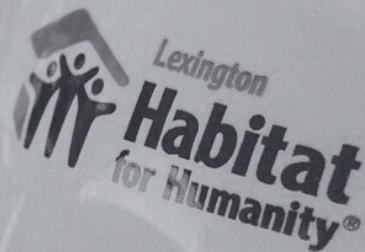




Lexington
Habitat
for Humanity

2023 Annual Report



Bringing people together to build homes, communities, and hope.

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A Note From Our CEO



As we reflect upon the past year, I am filled with gratitude for what we have achieved together. As you read our annual report, I hope you will see a vision of hope, resilience, and unwavering commitment to our housing mission.

The stories behind each home built, every critical home repair project, and every family we've served resonate with the power and impact of a community working together. Each nail driven, every board laid, and every helping hand extended underscores our dedication to the belief that everyone deserves a safe, decent, and affordable place to live.

We must acknowledge the families we have had the privilege of serving. Their bravery in choosing to collaborate with us signifies the crucial initial step towards realizing their dream of homeownership. Through their determination and effort, they unlock the transformative potential of owning a home. Their achievements and their aspirations for a brighter future inspires us every day.

Our work this year was made possible by the generosity of our donors and sponsors. Every donation, whether financial, material, or in the form of volunteer time, has been the heartbeat of our endeavors. To each and every donor and partner, I offer you our heartfelt gratitude.

The demand for affordable housing remains urgent, underscoring the vital nature of our work. Yet, with the unwavering support of our community, I firmly believe we will continue to making a difference by building homes, communities, and hope.

With appreciation,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. J. Sch...', written in a cursive style.

CEO, Lexington Habitat for Humanity

Lakelli



Lakelli's journey to stability is the kind of comeback story they make movies about. "Have you ever seen a movie where somebody was staying on the street and they're dirty – then by the end they are all lit up, have a job, clean clothes, all that?

That's how I feel. That's me." She is very open about the obstacles she's faced throughout her life. "I can't tell my story, my truth, without telling the whole truth. Maybe it will show others they can overcome their demons too." Until a few years ago, Lakelli was homeless. After losing custody of her sons in 2012, her life unraveled. She calls it her breaking point. **"I gave up on living. I turned to drugs to escape reality, but reality catches up with you fast. All of the sudden, the lights are shut off. The water is shut off. You lose your house and have to stay with people...before I knew it, I was on my own and sleeping on the streets. It was easy to find myself in that place. The hard part was getting back on track."** Ready to make a change, Lakelli accomplished the seemingly impossible. She beat addiction and took on three jobs all while working hard to comply with strict CPS assignments.

Today, Lakelli has custody of her children and a bright outlook on her future. **"I know you're not supposed to say you're proud of yourself – but I am. I have a clear mind, a clear heart – and we're free. My goal was to just get back everything I lost. I've done that, and with this program, I'm gaining more."** While this family had come a long way, they were still in need of a safe, stable forever home. "Where we live now is literally falling apart. There's no privacy, the pipes leak, and the baby has had RSV twice due to the mold." So Lakelli took a big step in providing for her family and applied for the Habitat Homeownership Program. When she got the call that she was accepted into the homeownership program, Lakelli said she cried and cried. **"My kid asked me 'Are you alright?' and I told him 'We're going to be just fine.'"**

Lakelli took 17 weeks of home buyer classes and put in 250 hours of sweat equity building her home and the homes of other future Habitat homeowners, all while working and providing for her family. Now Lakelli's hard work has paid off as she begins to pay an **affordable** mortgage, building equity and generational wealth for herself and her family. **"You don't have to end up where you started,"** said Lakelli as she signed her closing documents. Her comeback story is only getting started.

"This isn't the last time you'll see me make an accomplishment."

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Homeownership Program

We said 
welcome home
to 32 people

{ 6 Newly Built Homes
2 Rehabilitated Homes

 **5,000+**
volunteer hours spent on
the build site

17 weeks 
of homebuyer
classes

 **2,642.50**
hours of sweat equity
completed by
homebuyers

5 families 
have an affordable place
to call home in our first
set of **townhomes!**

Love Your Neighborhood

19 people 
partnered with us for
critical home repairs
7 people over the age of 65

 **6/10**
households received
accessibility updates
that allow homeowners
to age in place

\$125,557
donated 
by people
and businesses

Lexington Habitat ReStore 451 Southland Drive Lexington, KY 40503

127 
uninstall projects through
the Deconstruction program

 **550+**
tons of material
diverted from landfills

5,300 
gallons of recycled
paint made

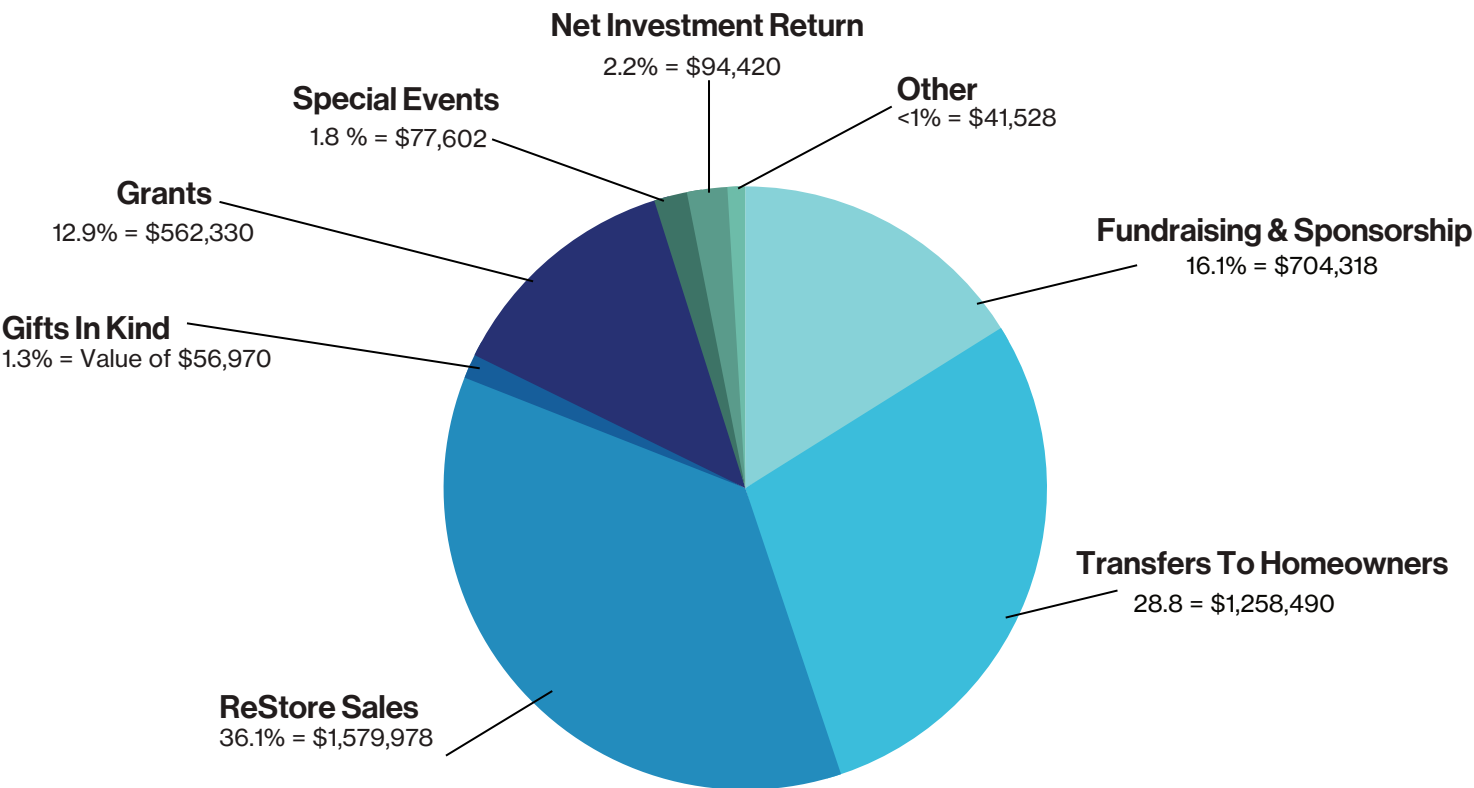
 **20,000+**
donors served

48,725 
sales transactions for
179,485 items

2,754.15 
volunteer hours at
the ReStore

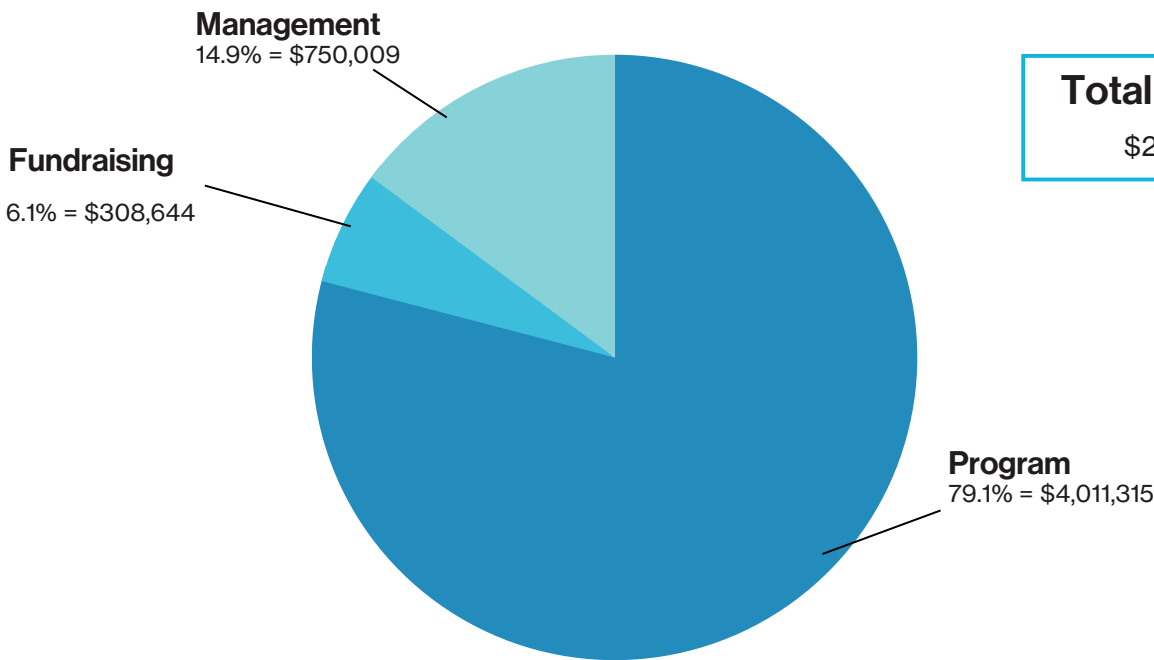
Financial Snapshot

Fiscal Year 2022 | July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023



Revenue | \$4,375,636

Total Net Assets
\$7,444,705



Total Liabilities
\$2,956,199

Expenses | \$5,069,968

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Thank you for building strength, stability and self-reliance with us.



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