

Organization Name Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity – Updated April 2024



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Who is served: Pikes Peak Habitat serves workforce families and individuals who earn 35%-80% AMI. For a family of four, that's \$36,785-\$84,080 this year. Pikes Peak Association of Realtors reported a slight increase in median prices of single-family homes from \$441,000 in December 2022 to \$455,000 in December of 2023. Median rent for a three-bedroom is \$2,150/month, and if the family pays no more than 30% of their income, it requires a salary of \$86,000/yr. (\$41/hr.)—that's THREE full-time jobs at minimum wage (\$14.42/hr.).

Funds used for: Half of the funds go directly to supporting the cost of building the Interfaith Build for Unity home, and the other half go toward the cost of building the 2024 Apostles Build home. Grant funding will help cover the construction costs for these two homes, estimated at \$300,000 each.

Mission of Organization: Seeking to put God's love into action, Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities and hope. Founded in 1986, Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity provides affordable housing solutions to low-income families in El Paso County, Colorado. By building an average of five houses annually—this year they have challenged themselves to build seven---they have assisted a total of more than 235 families in our community.

How St. Michael's Can Volunteer: Participating in an IBU volunteer day on our construction site, making or providing lunch for all IBU volunteers for one of our volunteer days, participating in an Apostles Build volunteer day on our construction site, serving on one of our various Pikes Peak Habitat Committees, organizing a church-wide garage sale or a tool drive to donate items to Pikes Peak Habitat's construction site and ReStores, plus much more.

How St. Michael's has Engaged in the past: Supporting with grant funds over many years. Tens of people volunteer for builds or at Restore or to make lunch. Long-time core volunteer is member of St. Michael's. Interfaith build plus St. Michael's church-wide serve weekend volunteers.