Why'd we do it?



Desperation!!!!

A crisis level lack of affordable housing and shelter capacity.



Tiny and Small Houses

A possible statewide solution to affordable housing in rural Maine.

We share a mission.

To work in cooperation with the vision and principles of Habitat for Humanity International, bringing people together to **build hope, homes and community** and end poverty housing in Knox County, Maine.



Helping families find home, help and hope for a better future.

To be the center of excellence in **breaking cycles of poverty** and homelessness in mid-coast Maine and bringing homeless families to sustainable independence and a better future.



The POWER of Collaboration

Midcoast Habitat for Humanity & Knox County Homeless Coalition

- Shared Mission
- Capacity & Initiative
- Efficiency & Strength
- Shared Resources
- Community Building
- Support





Our First House.



A tiny billboard to draw attention to our need for affordable housing and additional supportive shelter capacity.





Tiny Supportive Shelter

Size: 192 square feet Cost: \$15,000 Includes: Sleeping/Living Area Kitchenette Full Bath

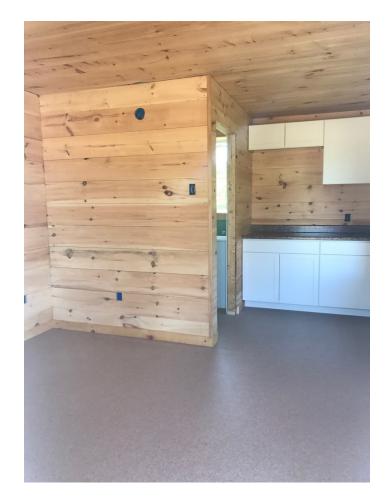
Community Building

Kitchen Dining Recreation

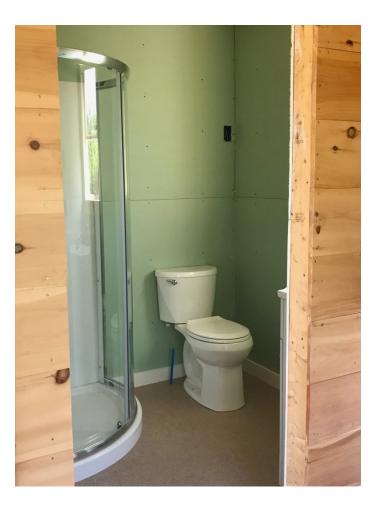
Small House

Size: 550-750 square feet Cost: \$60-\$80,000 (\$90/sf) Includes: 1-2 Bedrooms Kitchen Living Dining Full Bath

Diverse Neighborhood







The Program.

Comprehensive

- Structure
- Case Management
- Education
- Work
- Community

Operational Cost \$11,500 per unit / year

Monthly income based contribution

Sustainable Independence

- Homeownership
- Fiscal Responsibility
- Continued Support
- Community

Cost \$450-\$550 mortgage \$125 utilities

Income based qualification (30-60% GMI) Maximum 30% monthly housing cost

The Habitat Model....

- Volunteer Labor (schools, churches, rotary clubs etc.)
- In-kind and/or discounted labor & materials
- 'The math works' with the Habitat model







Importance of Community.

Creating Community for All

Goal is supportive living with agency support, gardens and space to share education, activities and lives.







Planning & Challenges

- Being an established community partner
- Building relationships with municipalities and town officials
- Educate community and neighbors about your work
- Develop a clear plan
- Have patience
- Land Use Ordinance / Zoning
- Perception / NIMBY
- Funding



Participate. Educate. Enlighten. Inspire.



Make Maine 'the way life should be' for all.

Thank you!

