

## **Habitat for Humanity Halifax Regional Municipality News for January to June, 2006**

### **January, 2006**

#### **Habitat for Humanity Canada – Getting Involved internationally!**

In 2005 HFHC transferred or committed \$361,411 to other countries (2004 - \$132,164), including \$117k for Hurricane Katrina, \$176k for the South Asia Tsunami, and \$68k to 5 developing countries. The funds are being used to build approximately 55 houses!

#### **Two New Donations from Habitat Supporters**

ING Canada and the Shell Environment Fund have donated \$10,000 and \$5,000 respectively to Habitat for Humanity Halifax Regional Municipality and the ReStore. Thank you!!

### **February, 2006**

#### **Habitat for Humanity, HRM Moves Into New Offices**

The HRM offices of Habitat for Humanity moved into its new office in Burnside (121 Ilesley Avenue). Attached to the soon-to-be-open ReStore, the offices will offer more space for the organization to grow!

### **March, 2006**

#### **Two Halifax-based Habitat Volunteers Set Off to India.**

Two dedicated Habitat for Humanity volunteers went India to help rebuild homes in a fishing village struck by the recent tsunami. Halifax residents Anne Connolly and Merle Richardson travelled to E.P. Thurai as part of an international effort.

### **May, 2006**

#### **Major Sponsors On Board for 2006 Build**

Manulife Financial has pledged \$60,000 in time and labour for the 2006 builds. The Nova Scotia Home Builders Association has footed the bill for one of the three homes built, at a value of

\$100,000. Other major sponsors ING Canada (\$30,000), Adesa (\$10,000) and CB Richard Ellis (\$5,000) made huge differences with their donations.

## **June, 2006**

### **Habitat for Humanity Halifax's South Shore Chapter Opens**

After two-and-a-half years of work, Bridgewater, NS has become the "South Shore Chapter" of Habitat for Humanity Halifax Regional Municipality. Working together, the South Shore Chapter hopes to build their first home in 2007.

### **Habitat ReStore Opens in Burnside**

Habitat for Humanity HRM has opened the doors to the new "ReStore". ReStores are building supply stores that accept and resell quality, new and used building materials. They generate funds to support Habitat's building programs, while reducing the amount of used materials that are headed for landfills!