

# FAITH BUILD

*Putting FAITH into ACTION*

## **Online Auction General Information**

Habitat and Thrivent are joining together to build La Crosse's first Faith Build Home. Thrivent has generously donated \$87,500 to help build a home for the Olson Family—a local family in need of decent and affordable housing. We are asking for your help and engagement to match that amount.

The Online Auction is a fundraising event hosted by Habitat. All proceeds raised during the event will support the Faith Build home.

### **“BID TO BUILD”**

#### **Online Auction**

**Mark your calendars!**

#### **Online Auction**

November 6 – November 12

Small- to mid-range priced items

Great for holiday gifts!

Bid in increments – highest bid at auction close WINS!

#### **Live Auction**

Immediately following the online auction on November 12

Big ticket items!

Live bidding through an online platform



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## We Need Your Help!

**“Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.”**

*Helen Keller*

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### **Kill two birds with one stone**

*Common idiom*

**It's so easy . . .**

- STEP 1:** Buy a \$20-\$30 gift card or similarly priced item from your favorite local business and donate it to Habitat's "Bid to Build" Online Auction.
- STEP 2:** Habitat staff will take the gift cards and items and put them together into FUN gift baskets for the online auction.
- STEP 3:** By coming together, \$20 at a time, we will raise money for the Faith Build home.
- STEP 4:** All while helping struggling local businesses.

### **Donating to the Online Auction**

Items can be mailed or dropped off at the Habitat ReStore:  
3181 Berlin Drive  
La Crosse, WI 54601

**Donations must be received no later than October 17<sup>th</sup>.**

### **Ideas for Gifts**

#### **Food glorious food!**

Pick your favorite restaurants (they are struggling) and buy a gift cards to donate!

#### **Pamper Mom or Dad**

Suggested items:

- Bubble bath
- Bath salts
- Towels
- Candles
- A CD of meditative music
- **Gift card to a local salon and/or for a massage.**

#### **For the Golfers**

Suggested items:

- Tees
- Golf balls
- Visor
- Gloves
- Book about golf
- **Gift card to a golf store or to a local course.**

#### **Baby Love**

Suggested items:

- Diapers



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- Diaper bag
- Onesies
- Burp cloths
- Infant toys
- Board books
- Teething rings
- Baby socks
- Bibs
- **Gift card to Larson's General or other local store that has great baby stuff**

- Garden rack
- **Garden store gift card**

### **Fitness**

Suggested items:

- Water bottles
- Fitness DVDs
- Dumbbells
- **Gift cards from local gyms and other fitness facilities** (like roller-skating rinks)

### **For the book lover**

Suggested items:

- A few bestselling books
- Wine glasses
- Wine
- Gourmet snacks
- Fancy book mark
- Book light
- Gift card to local bookstore

### **For the Dogs (or Cats)**

Suggested items:

- Dog (or cat) toys
- Dog (or cat) food bowls
- Pet jersey or sweater
- Shampoo and other grooming supplies
- Leash
- **Gift card to a pet store**

### **Outdoor Adventures**

Suggested items:

- Sleeping bag
- Fishing pole
- Mini lanterns
- Fixings for s'mores (graham crackers, marshmallows, and chocolate)
- Head lamps
- Bug spray
- Citronella candles
- **Gift cards to outdoor stores**

### **Arts and Crafts**

Suggested items:

- Markers
- Pens
- Colored pencils
- Crayons
- Craft paint
- Construction paper
- Paint brushes
- Stamping kit
- Jewelry kits
- Small wooden model kits
- Loom bracelet kit
- Poster board
- **Gift card to craft store**

### **For Gardeners**

Suggested items:

- Planters
- Watering cans
- Gloves
- Seeds
- Sunscreen
- Hand lotion
- Bags of soil

### **Winter fun-yes it's coming**

Suggested items:

- Sleds
- Warm weather gear
- Snowshoes



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- **Gift card to Mt. La Crosse or other outdoor activities**

### **The Baker in your life**

Suggested contents:

- Baking mixes (muffins, cakes, cookies)
- Frosting
- Aprons
- Kids' mixing utensils
- Measuring cups
- Cookie cutters
- Decorating supplies
- **Gift card to a local bakery**-bakers need inspiration!

### **Sports kit**

Suggested items:

- Balls (baseball, basketball, football, soccer)
- Tickets to local sporting events
- Frisbee
- Sports-team-theme apparel (shirts, hats, etc.) or blanket
- Water bottle
- Sports-theme books and board games
- **Gift card to local sports shop or tickets to a game**
- **Gift card to a sporting goods store**

### **Sweets for your Sweet**

Suggested items:

- Boxes of candy or chocolate
- **Gift cards to a candy/chocolate shop**

### **Wine and Spirits lovers**

Suggested items:

- Wine glasses
- Cocktail glasses
- Bar items
- **Gift card to local producers of fine spirits like La Crosse Distilling**

### **For your favorite knitter**

Suggested items:

- Yarn
- Needles
- Mini tape measure
- Stitch markers
- **Gift card to yarn shop**

### **Date Night on the Town**

Suggested items:

- Tickets to a show
- **Gift certificate for dinner at a swanky restaurant**

### **Say Cheese**

Suggested items:

- Cheese board
- Salami
- Antipasto
- Dried fruit
- Nuts
- Olives
- Crackers
- Mustard and jam
- **Gift Certificate to meat and cheese shop like Schuby's**

### **Caffeine Fix**

Suggested items:

There's no shortage of accessories and beans that can be gifted to a coffee lover

- Coffee grinder
- Fair trade coffee beans or grounds
- Pour-over coffee drip
- Espresso cups
- French press
- **Gift cards to local coffee shops like Java Vino**



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## The Sky is the Limit!

### Make up a new category for us!

#### Do you have a service or special skill you can offer?

- Maybe you make quilts.
- Maybe you would take someone ice fishing.
- Maybe you have a boat and would be willing to take a few people on a tour of the area by boat.
- Maybe you are a Naturalist and would like to take some folks birding.
- Maybe you work at or own a cool business that folks would love a private behind the scenes tour and tasting.

### Donations for the Live Auction

*value \$1,000+++*

- **Vacation and trip offers** consistently raise the most money for live auctions, and don't we all need a vacation?

Do you have a cabin/timeshare that you would be willing to donate a 3- 5 day stay?

Are you able to donate Airline tickets or hotel stays or car rental vouchers?

- **Help for Home!**

Are you a **skilled trades** person or a company who is willing to donate your services?

Kitchen design, window installation, new front door, house painting, a new roof . . .

Spending so much time at home – we know it needs some work!

- How about a **car or boat**?

We know we have some incredibly generous people who may be able to help us out in this category because we have had vintage trucks donated two years in a row!

- **Business Sponsors**

We are also seeking business sponsors for this auction, and your business could be featured multiple times throughout or silent and live event.

For more information, contact [pam@habitatlacrosse.org](mailto:pam@habitatlacrosse.org).

**All donated items are 100% tax deductible!**

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