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## **Habitat For Humanity Ranks No. 6 Among Largest Homebuilders In The U.S.**

**Warrenton, Va.** – Fauquier Habitat for Humanity’s work to provide affordable housing in the community has helped Habitat for Humanity International rank as the sixth largest homebuilder on Builder magazine’s top 100 list. With 6,032 closings in 2010, this is the second time Habitat for Humanity has placed in the top 10.

“Our placement on the Builder 100 list is a testament to what can be accomplished when people work together,” said Larry Gluth, senior vice president of U.S. and Canada for Habitat for Humanity International. “So many families in the United States and around the world face an incredible need for affordable housing, and this need only increases during challenging economic times. Habitat works every day to help these families, and we are grateful for the generosity of our donors, volunteers and advocates who have joined our efforts to help families obtain safe, decent and affordable homes and to strengthen communities.”

In 2010, Fauquier Habitat helped three families obtain affordable housing and is scheduled to sell six homes to qualified Habitat families in 2011. Since 1991, the affiliate has built more than 43 homes.

“We are thrilled that our work to provide affordable housing here in Fauquier and Rappahannock counties has contributed to Habitat’s ranking as the sixth largest builder in the United States,” said Brenda Drerenberger, Executive Director at Fauquier Habitat. “We are proud to help families obtain affordable housing, and we thank our supporters, and especially our volunteers, for their commitment to helping families in need.”

The Builder 100 list is an annual compilation of the largest homebuilders in the country. In 2009, Habitat for Humanity ranked eighth on the list with 5,294 closings, marking the first time the organization made it to the top 10.

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**About Fauquier Habitat For Humanity:** Celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> year, Fauquier Habitat for Humanity ([www.fauquierhabitat.org](http://www.fauquierhabitat.org)) works in partnership with the Fauquier and Rappahannock County communities to eliminate the blight of poverty housing. Since 1991, it has built 43 homes and rehabilitated several others for qualified, low-income families that need a hand up. Like all Habitat for Humanity recipients, Fauquier Habitat for Humanity families pass a detailed qualification process, participate in a continuing education program, and invest hundreds of hours of their own labor into building their Habitat houses. Once they move in, they make regular mortgage payments and remain engaged in Habitat for Humanity’s ongoing education program as well as their community. Fauquier Habitat for Humanity is an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International.



## **About Habitat for Humanity International**

Habitat for Humanity International is an ecumenical Christian ministry that welcomes to its work all people dedicated to the cause of eliminating poverty housing. Since its founding in 1976, Habitat has built, rehabilitated, repaired or improved more than 400,000 houses worldwide, providing simple, decent and affordable shelter for more than 2 million people. For more information, or to donate or volunteer, visit [habitat.org](http://habitat.org).