



ProBuild 2026

Quick Start Guide

We are delighted to be celebrating ProBuild. It's a wonderful opportunity for the construction industry to use their skills and talents to address the growing need for decent and affordable housing. It makes so much sense to involve construction experts who have a unique perspective on the importance of a strong, well-developed community, and we are so grateful to them for their donation of time and talent.

One of the goals of this event is to involve more people in the work of Habitat and to get them excited about continuing to support affordable housing efforts. It's great to see builders recruiting other builders and engaging suppliers. Together we are able to do so much more

ProBuild, formerly known as Builders Blitz, often receives great publicity and recognition for those involved. There is so much excitement surrounding ProBuild, but the real reason everyone participates is for the privilege we have to help families build strength, stability and self-reliance through shelter.

I am encouraged to see how this initiative has made such an incredible difference for families and communities, and I am looking forward to its continued success. Thanks again to the builders who are giving back to the community, to the affiliates that are working so hard to organize the event, and to the generous sponsors for all that they contribute. Best wishes to everyone for an outstanding ProBuild.

Penny Seater
Chief Executive Officer
Habitat for Humanity Seminole-Apopka





Project responsibilities

ProBuild is an exciting opportunity for Habitat for Humanity and professional builders to partner to build and renovate homes. Habitat for Humanity Seminole-Apopka and professional builders will work closely together to coordinate this project. The responsibilities of each group are defined below.

Builder responsibilities

- Organize a team of subcontractors and suppliers to complete a home in an accelerated time frame* with a goal of delivering the house at no cost to Habitat.
- Seek donations of labor and materials.
- Attend scheduled team meetings.
- Select your in-house fundraising point of contact.
- Participate in project fundraising by seeking out nonbuilding business partners (lenders, real estate agents, attorneys, etc.).
- Recruit builders for additional home builds.
- Engage building inspectors.
- Interact with the Habitat for Humanity Seminole-Apopka to complete the project.
- Conduct regular team planning meetings.

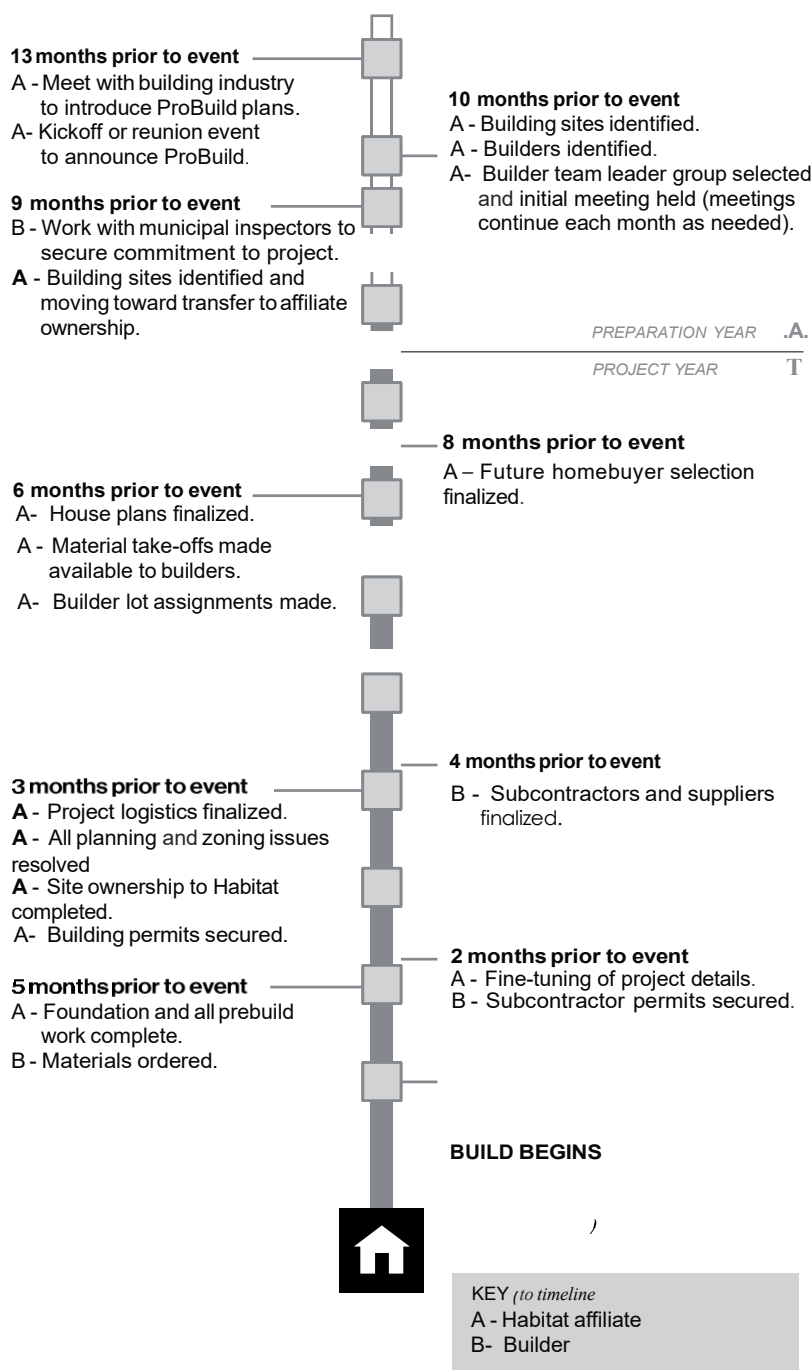
Manufacturer responsibilities

- Donate materials to builders and Habitat for Humanity.
- Assist in a plan to distribute materials to participating affiliates.

Habitat for Humanity Seminole-Apopka responsibilities

- Select homebuyers, provide homebuyer support.
- Acquire land and develop sites.
- Provide house plans to builders.
- Support builders in their fundraising efforts.
- Provide public and media relations.
- Provide building specifications to ensure uniformity of homes.
- Reach more families by partnering with a group of highly skilled professionals.
- Form new relationships with professionals in the building industry.
- Define for builders the parameters of what decent, affordable housing means for your affiliate

* As long as you are partnering with professionals who enable you to complete projects in a more condensed time frame than it would normally take, that would be considered accelerated. For example, if it usually takes you three months to build a house, a professional who lends time and resources through ProBuild would allow you to complete it in one month.



Project timeline

This timeline includes major deadlines that will help you plan your project. We understand that local regulations may alter the exact timing of these items. Please use the following information as a guideline as you prepare for your build



About ProBuild

Habitat's ProBuild is a partnership between Habitat for Humanity and the building industry that gives local builders a chance to give back to their community while networking with other builders and suppliers.

- In addition to new home construction, Habitat's ProBuild offers opportunities for partnerships with builders whose specialty may be outside of new residential construction, such as home renovations, critical home repairs and weatherization.
- With a little help, Habitat homeowners achieve the strength, stability and independence they need to build a better life for themselves and for their families.
- ProBuild offers professional homebuilders the opportunity to use their skill and talents to address the growing need for low-income housing in communities nationwide.
- During Habitat for Humanity's ProBuild, Habitat for Humanity Seminole-Apopka is partnering with professional builders to create affordable homeownership opportunities with people in need of a decent, affordable home.

How ProBuild Works

Local professional builders are recruited to partner with Habitat and coordinate the project through completion. Habitat for Humanity acquires land, develops the sites, provides house plans and permits, and selects future homeowners, while builders donate labor, funding and materials.

- Because general contractors recruit subcontractors and may raise funds for the Habitat home prior to the ProBuild start date, subcontractors are asked to donate materials and labor for each trade. This allows Habitat to serve more families without the usual tasks of raising funds and recruiting volunteers.
- Many builders and subcontractors who participate in ProBuild stay actively involved with Habitat long after the event through continued volunteerism, advocacy and financial support.

About Habitat for Humanity

- Founded in 1976, Habitat for Humanity International has helped more than 22 million people achieve strength, stability and independence through improved shelter.
- Each Habitat for Humanity affiliate is a community-led, autonomous organization, managed by local leadership and governed by its board of directors.
- Habitat for Humanity Seminole-Apopka has built over 260 homes since 1991.
- Habitat for Humanity homebuyers meet three basic criteria to partner in the program. First, they must have a need for adequate housing. Second, they must be willing to partner by helping to build their own house or the houses of other families in the program. This requirement is called "sweat equity." Third, homeowners must be willing to pay an affordable mortgage.
- Land donations, monetary donations, donations of construction materials, and volunteers are used to keep the costs of Habitat for Humanity homes low. In addition, donated funds are used to help pay for the homes.

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