



Project Profile:

**Elm Street Community
537 Elm Street
Escondido, CA 92025**

About San Diego Habitat for Humanity

San Diego Habitat for Humanity (SDHFH) is the local affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International and serves San Diego County. It is an autonomous 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. It is governed locally, raises funds locally and builds locally.

It is the mission of SDHFH to work in partnership with families to strengthen communities and transform lives by building new homes, rehabilitating existing homes, and making affordable homeownership a reality for people in need in San Diego County. Habitat was founded on the conviction that every man, woman and child should have a simple, decent and affordable home to live in dignity and safety.

Habitat's Homeownership Program

Habitat's programs are focused on creating homes for ownership by low-income families in need. Habitat partner families qualify for the program by showing a demonstrated need for improved housing, a willingness to partner with Habitat by committing to 250-500 hours of "sweat equity" helping to build their own homes, and the ability to repay the 0%-interest, 25 to 30-year mortgage. These mortgage payments create a revolving fund that Habitat uses to construct future homes for local families in need.

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Habitat's fifth build in Escondido will consist of 11 new single family homes – five duplexes and one detached house. The homes will have three bedrooms and two bathrooms and are approximately 1,300 square feet. Each home will have a covered carport and private backyard, and there are two common recreational areas planned. The project is made possible by a partnership with the City of Escondido, many generous building sponsors and countless volunteers. SDHFH will break ground on Phase I in July, 2013 with all 11 homes scheduled to be completed by September, 2015. The project budget is \$2.6 million, or \$236,363 per home.

