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Habitat Philadelphia receives \$30,000 for roof repairs in Sharswood and Point Breeze neighborhoods, through generosity of the Esther Gowen Hood Trust, administered by BNY Mellon Wealth Management

Philadelphia, PA, May 2, 2016 - Habitat for Humanity Philadelphia received a \$30,000 grant through the generosity of the Esther Gowen Hood Trust, administered by BNY Mellon Wealth Management. The grant provides critical funds to support Habitat Philadelphia's home repair program, which seeks to stabilize low-income homeowners and their communities through low-cost critical repair services. The repair program encompasses a variety of services intended to yield the highest impact on quality of life, stability, and community, including health and safety repairs, energy efficiency and weatherization upgrades, and façade improvements.

Funds from this grant will be used specifically for roofing materials and labor to perform roof repairs for vulnerable, low-income homeowners in the Point Breeze section of South Philadelphia and the Sharswood section of North Philadelphia. The focus on roof repairs is more broadly intended to thwart incidences of home abandonment and homelessness. "When a roof wears out, a home is more likely to deteriorate and become abandoned within five years. This funding is being used to halt abandonment and because interior repairs don't make a difference if you don't have a sound roof," says Frank Monaghan, Habitat for Humanity Philadelphia's Executive Director.

About Habitat for Humanity Philadelphia

An affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International — the largest non-profit homebuilder worldwide — [Habitat for Humanity Philadelphia](#) transforms lives and our City by building quality homes in partnership with families in need and by uniting all Philadelphians around the cause of affordable housing. Founded in 1985, Habitat for Humanity Philadelphia has completed 191 homes to date. Partner families are required to contribute 350 hours of "sweat equity" in building their houses and others in order to qualify for the no-interest mortgage provided by Habitat. Since spring of 2010 Habitat for Humanity Philadelphia has also strategically partnered with over 300 families offering weatherization, repairs and stabilization services to keep homes safe, healthy and efficient. Habitat for Humanity Philadelphia is committed to building green, energy-efficient homes to ensure healthy indoor air quality, generate low utility costs and reduce our homes' drain on the local power grid. With 3200 volunteers annually, we believe we are all part of the solution to achieve affordable housing, and we welcome anyone willing to swing a hammer to help make affordable homes a reality.

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