APPLICATION PROCESS

BEFORE YOU APPLY:

- Complete a homebuyer education program
- Review your credit report and monthly budget
- Pay your current bills and debts on time
- Save at least \$750
- Locate important documents required to apply
- Monitor our website for dates and times of application meetings

SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION:

- Attend one of Habitat's informational meetings
- Submit your completed application on time
- Turn in all requested documents and information in a timely manner

PRIORITY REVIEW
will be given to
applicants who have
completed a
homebuyer education
course in the previous
12 months.



See our website for information about upcoming informational meetings and updates on our next application period.



Want more information?
Visit our website at
habitattuscaloosa.org/programs







PATH TO HOMEOWNERSHIP



BUILDING HOMES
BUILDING HOPE

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Becoming a homeowner is a big step that can provide financial stability and a safe, healthy home for you and your family to live and grow.

If purchasing a home the "traditional way" seems out of reach, see if Habitat Tuscaloosa's *Path to Homeownership* program is right for you.

Our new homes offer a low down payment and an affordable monthly payment.



We build strength, stability, self-reliance, and shelter.

HOMEOWNERSHIP

THROUGH HABITAT

Habitat Tuscaloosa does not rent or give away homes! Habitat Tuscaloosa builds attractive, affordable, energy-efficient homes in partnership with homebuyers, volunteers and donors.

Our in-house financing offers our participants a 30-year, 0% interest (APR less than 1%) mortgage with the ability to finance most of the closing costs.

Habitat homebuyers:

- Complete at least 25 hours of homebuyer and financial education classes
- Make a \$1,500 down payment
- Volunteer with us for at least 200-250 hours before purchase
- Choose from one of our available lots in West Tuscaloosa
- Agree to maintain the home as their residence for 20 years
- Can afford a mortgage payment between \$700-\$850/month (payment includes property tax and homeowner's insurance)



PROGRAM

REQUIREMENTS

When evaluating applications, Habitat Tuscaloosa looks at several criteria.

- Live or work in Tuscaloosa County for at least 6 months
- Have a stable, reliable income of at least \$2,650 per month and verifiable savings of at least \$750
- Have a reasonable amount of other debt (car payments, student loans, credit cards, etc.)
- Are financially stable and paying bills on time
- Been discharged from bankruptcy for at least three (3) years (if applicable)
- Have the ability to pay off any collections or judgements (generally, \$2000 or less) within 12 months of approval.