



# UFF-DA!

## Useful Facts and Figures— Data for Affiliates

### 2017 Habitat 500 Bike Ride – December 2017

2017 marked the 25th Anniversary of the Habitat 500 Bike Ride! 81 multi-day and 46 one-day riders joined us for the 25th Ride, enjoying a route through central Minnesota. The first day (and one-day ride) was held in Victoria. From Victoria, riders moved to Hutchinson, spent two nights in Sauk Rapids, then biked to Forest Lake, and then Cannon Falls before returning to Victoria. The 2017 Ride raised over \$314,000 to build strength, stability, and self-reliance through shelter in Minnesota and around the country and world!

### 2017 *bike.home*

The 2017 *bike.home* was a unique one! Besides the involvement of Habitat 500 riders and volunteers on the site, this year's home was also the "Build for Unity," a special project by Central Minnesota Habitat for Humanity. The build's intent was to bridge divisions between people of different faiths and backgrounds, helping them to understand each other, and gained the support of more than 17 local faith groups in addition to local community members.

On July 12, Central Minnesota Habitat organized the *bike.home* celebration at a Sauk Rapids park. Habitat 500 riders, community members, and the Mohamud-Omar family, future *bike.home* homeowners, gathered for food and music.



The *bike.home* family and Central MN Habitat ED Bruce Johnson

Thank you to the staff and volunteers at Central Minnesota Habitat for hosting a wonderful *bike.home* build and celebration!



\$14,432 was raised to support the 2017 *bike.home*, with an additional \$24,902 raised for Central Minnesota Habitat!

### Who Rode?

- 70 full-week riders
- 2 teams (14 individual riders)
- 9 three-day riders
- 46 one-day riders

Youngest 2017 rider: 18 years old  
Oldest 2017 rider: 75 years old

18% of multi-day riders were new to the Habitat 500  
80% of one-day riders were new to the Habitat 500

### 2017 Highlights

- Full week riders enjoyed TWO finish line celebrations: Day 1 to celebrate one-day riders and Day 7 to celebrate the completion of another Habitat 500!
- Day 1 included a 25th Anniversary celebration, with live music, root beer floats, and inspiring speakers, including our 25-year volunteers (Susan and Walter Baker) and Twin Cities Habitat homeowners who had been in their home for 25 years!
- One rider celebrated his 20th anniversary; five riders celebrated their 15th anniversary; and six participants celebrated their tenth anniversary with the Habitat 500.



25-year Habitat homeowners Diana and Larry

### A huge thank you to our 2017 host affiliates:

Central Minnesota Habitat  
Crow River Habitat

Goodhue County Habitat  
Twin Cities Habitat

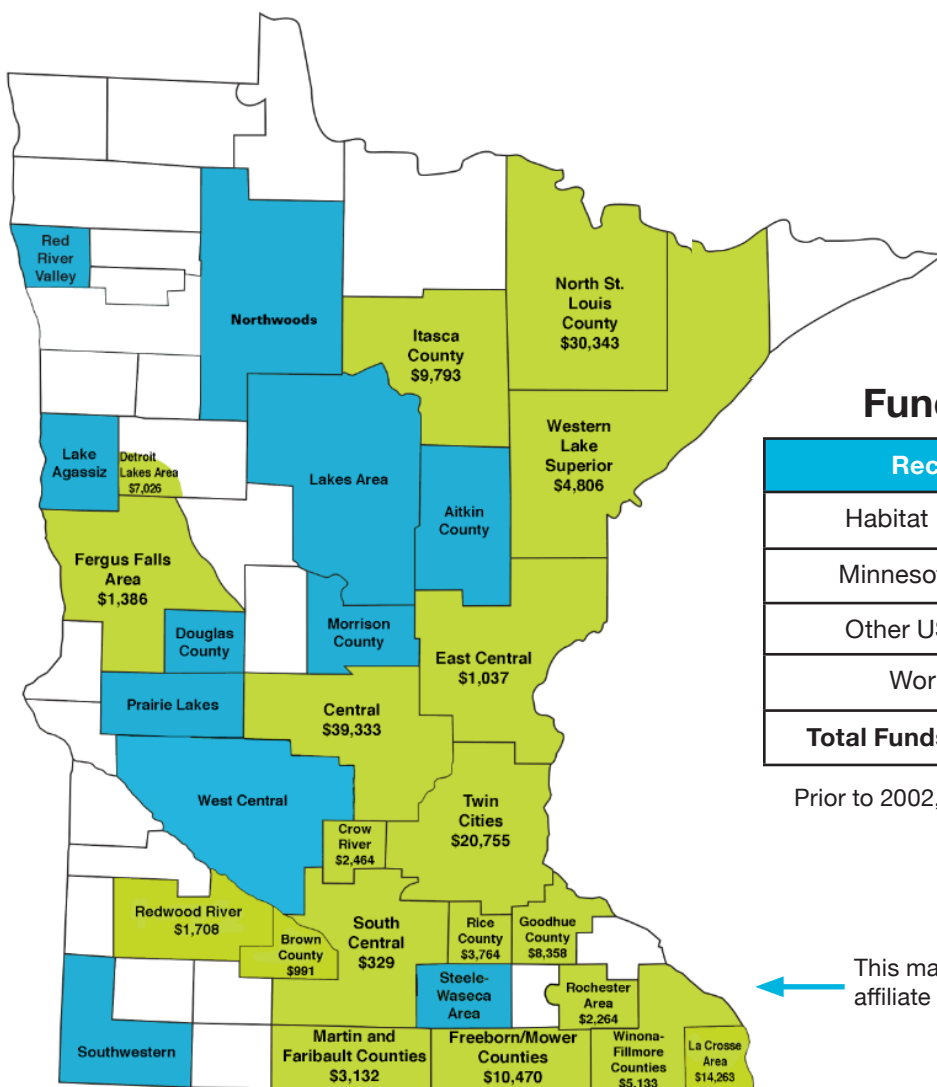
### Top 2 Fundraisers:

Ruth Lunde: \$23,302

Steve O'Malley: \$15,111



19 Minnesota affiliates raised funds through the 2017 Habitat 500



**Funds Distributed: 2002-2017**

| Recipient                      | 2017             | 2002-2017          |
|--------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Habitat Minnesota              | \$33,867         | \$273,695          |
| Minnesota Affiliates           | \$167,355        | \$2,544,974        |
| Other US Affiliates            | \$69,903         | \$1,495,630        |
| Worldwide                      | \$20,533         | \$571,115          |
| <b>Total Funds Distributed</b> | <b>\$291,658</b> | <b>\$4,885,414</b> |

Prior to 2002, Twin Cities Habitat coordinated the Habitat 500 (from 1993 to 2001).

← This map details funds distributed to each Minnesota affiliate from the 2017 Habitat 500.

**First 1-Day Ride**

July 9th, 2017 marked the Habitat 500's first one-day ride. 46 riders joined our three-day and seven-day riders for the day, biking either 50 or 100 miles! Participants included friends and family of veteran Habitat 500 riders, as well as several of Habitat Minnesota's own board members. Thank you to all who joined us, helping to raise over \$21,000 for Habitat for Humanity!



**Looking Ahead...**

Join us for the 26th Habitat 500:  
**July 15-21st, 2018!**

The *bike.home* build will be coordinated and hosted by Douglas County Habitat.

Additionally, look for a separate 1-day ride event next year!

Get the latest updates at [habitat500.org](http://habitat500.org)



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