

# INTERFAITH BUILD GROUP UPDATE

## NEWS & UPDATES

Pioneer Valley Habitat for Humanity is planning to build 3 homes on a common driveway off of Glendale Rd in Northampton. Two of the homes will be built primarily in a modular factory in Vermont by a company called Vermod and one of the homes will be built from the ground up here on the site. Thank you for being a cornerstone of the "House that Faith Built".

### Mark Your Calendars!

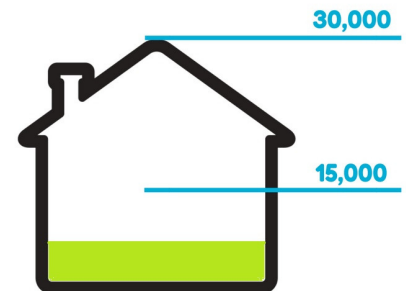
**Sunday 30 September, Blessing of the Site**

At 4:00 the afternoon of Sunday 30 September, we will gather near the foundations of the three homes for a Habitat tradition. It is customary for us to celebrate the raising of the first wall on a Habitat home, but in this case, where the walls will arrive having been connected in the factory, we will share together instead in a ceremony to bless the site. We hope you'll plan to join Habitat board and staff, financial supporters, local officials, neighbors and others that afternoon to meet the future homeowners.

Be on the lookout for the invite to this event, coming soon, and please share with others in your community and RSVP so we know how many from your congregation to expect!

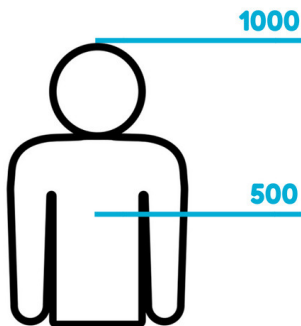


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## WHAT'S HAPPENING ON THE BUILD SITE?

## VOLUNTEER HOURS



Note: We are just starting to collect your hours! Enter them here:  
<https://goo.gl/forms/wJVYDZD4jBYeO2dC2>

Development begins long before the first foundation is poured. Here are reports on some of the pre-construction activities:

- \* Tree clearing. Lamoureux Landscaping stepped in to finish the tree clearing that the Smith Vocational School Forestry class began but was not able to finish due to the school year coming to an end. A few more trees may be removed if we can get permission to do so.
- \* Site work. Bradway Construction has started roughing in the driveway and removing stumps. They will be hopefully be digging holes for foundations soon.
- \* House design. Maya from Simple City Studios volunteered her time to tweak the design for the Vermod homes and draw up plans for the stick build house.
- \* Permits. We have our septic permit, water availability, trench permits and driveway permits. In process are the electrical connection application and foundation permits. Vermod is working on getting their approval of the modular home design for delivery to Massachusetts.

If all goes well, foundations will go in during September and the modular units will be delivered by mid-October. We are still waiting on a final delivery date.

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PLEASE SHARE WITH YOUR FAITH COMMUNITY!**