



## Build a Playhouse, Help Build a Home

Are you looking for an opportunity to help out your community through Habitat for Humanity of Northern Virginia but don't have a lot of time to invest? Building a playhouse is a fun and convenient way to raise money for Habitat. All you need to do is get a group of people to help build the playhouse and devise a way to use it to raise money for families in need!

There are two ways to get started:

- Purchase the kit through <http://www.summerwood.com/products/playhouses/bear-club.html>. This is a pre-cut kit that includes the roof, walls, windows and door, as well as the plans to build the playhouse.
- Purchase the plans from Habitat for the cost of reproduction. You would then need to purchase all necessary materials. The Habitat ReStore, located at 7770G Richmond Highway (Behind Gold's Gym) in Alexandria, VA, will offer a 20% discount on any materials purchased for this purpose.

The time needed to build the playhouse is approximately 40 hours. You decide the construction schedule and how to allocate the house: raffle, live auction, silent auction, direct sale...Whatever works best for your group!



Participating groups must provide a building location or storage space; Playhouses are approximately 5'x7'x 7' and weigh approximately 1800 lbs. Habitat can provide suggestions for storage and transport based on what has worked for other groups in the past. If feasible, we strongly recommend allocating the house first and then build the playhouse in place since storage and transportation may prove to be a challenge.

Once the playhouse is finished, an experienced Habitat volunteer will "inspect" it and give it the "Habitat Seal of Approval."

Habitat can provide you with a sample ticket to reproduce or you may create your own. You may use the Habitat name and logo on the tickets or any other printed materials, but you must receive prior approval from Habitat for Humanity of Northern Virginia.

Once your project has been successfully completed, you may submit the proceeds to Habitat for Humanity of Northern Virginia, Attn: Playhouse, 4451 First Place South, Arlington, VA 22204.

To get started on your playhouse, please contact Virginia Patton, Marketing Communications and Media Manager, at (703) 521-9890 ext. 105 or at [vpatt@habitatnova.org](mailto:vpatt@habitatnova.org) . Thank you for your interest in partnering with Habitat in this special way!