



Building Houses—Building Hope

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**COME WALK WITH US—5TH ANNUAL FAMILY WALK FOR
DUPAGE HABITAT FOR HUMANITY[®], SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2007**

DuPage Habitat for Humanity[®], a locally run affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International[®], is pleased to announce its 5th Annual Family Walk for DuPage Habitat, sponsored by Doubletree Guest Suites and Unilever on Saturday, September 15, 2007. Proceeds from the walk will help DuPage Habitat provide homes for families in need.

The walk begins at 9:30 A.M. at the Doubletree Suites Hotel, 2111 Butterfield Road in Downers Grove (just west of I-355 on the south side of Butterfield Road) and follows a 1.6 mile path around the hotel campus. Participants can walk as many laps as they like until 10:30 A.M.

DuPage Habitat is challenging participants to each raise \$200.00 in pledges. For each \$100.00 raised, participants receive one raffle ticket for a chance to win one of the many prizes to be raffled off at the completion of the walk.

The goal of Family Walk is two-fold: (1) bringing friends of DuPage Habitat together for a day of fun, and (2) raising urgently needed funds which will be used to rehab two houses in 2007 and to purchase additional properties for future building projects so more families can experience the joy of home ownership.

Registration is easy—visit the DuPage Habitat website (www.dupagehabitat.org) and print out information and pledge sheet. Don't forget to print extra copies for your friends and family. If you don't have Internet access, please call the DuPage Habitat office at 630-510-3737 to register.

About DuPage Habitat for Humanity

DuPage Habitat for Humanity is a locally run affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International, a nonprofit, ecumenical Christian housing organization. DuPage Habitat serves DuPage County, Illinois and works in partnership with people in need to build modest and affordable housing by building and renovating houses using donated materials and volunteer labor. These houses are then sold to limited income families needing decent shelter. Those who qualify must demonstrate their commitment to home ownership by investing 250 hours of sweat equity and repaying the cost of their house through a no-interest long-term loan. This "giving a hand up—not a hand out" approach gives families pride in their accomplishment of ownership of their first home.

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