



2025 Legislative Priorities



Increasing the affordable homeownership **supply**

Affordable starter homes are essential for having a strong middle class, creating thriving communities, and ensuring household and workforce stability. Minnesota is facing a shortage stemming from years of underbuilding and rising building costs. Habitat Minnesota supports public policies that lower costs and improve the feasibility of building and rehabilitating affordable starter homes to expand homeownership opportunities. Along with reducing barriers to building more homes, we support investments in the [Workforce & Affordable Homeownership Development program \(HF2914/SF1711\)](#) and the [Greater MN Housing Infrastructure Grant program \(SF1339 & HF1143/SF906\)](#).



Ensuring equitable homeownership **access**

Everyone deserves an opportunity to purchase a home, build wealth and secure their family's future. Unfortunately, access to affordable homes remains limited to Black, Indigenous, households of color as well as families in rural areas and in communities experiencing persistent poverty. Habitat Minnesota supports public policies that provide more equitable access to credit and help make the dream of homeownership attainable for all, such as the [First Generation Downpayment Assistance program \(HF999/SF1610\)](#).



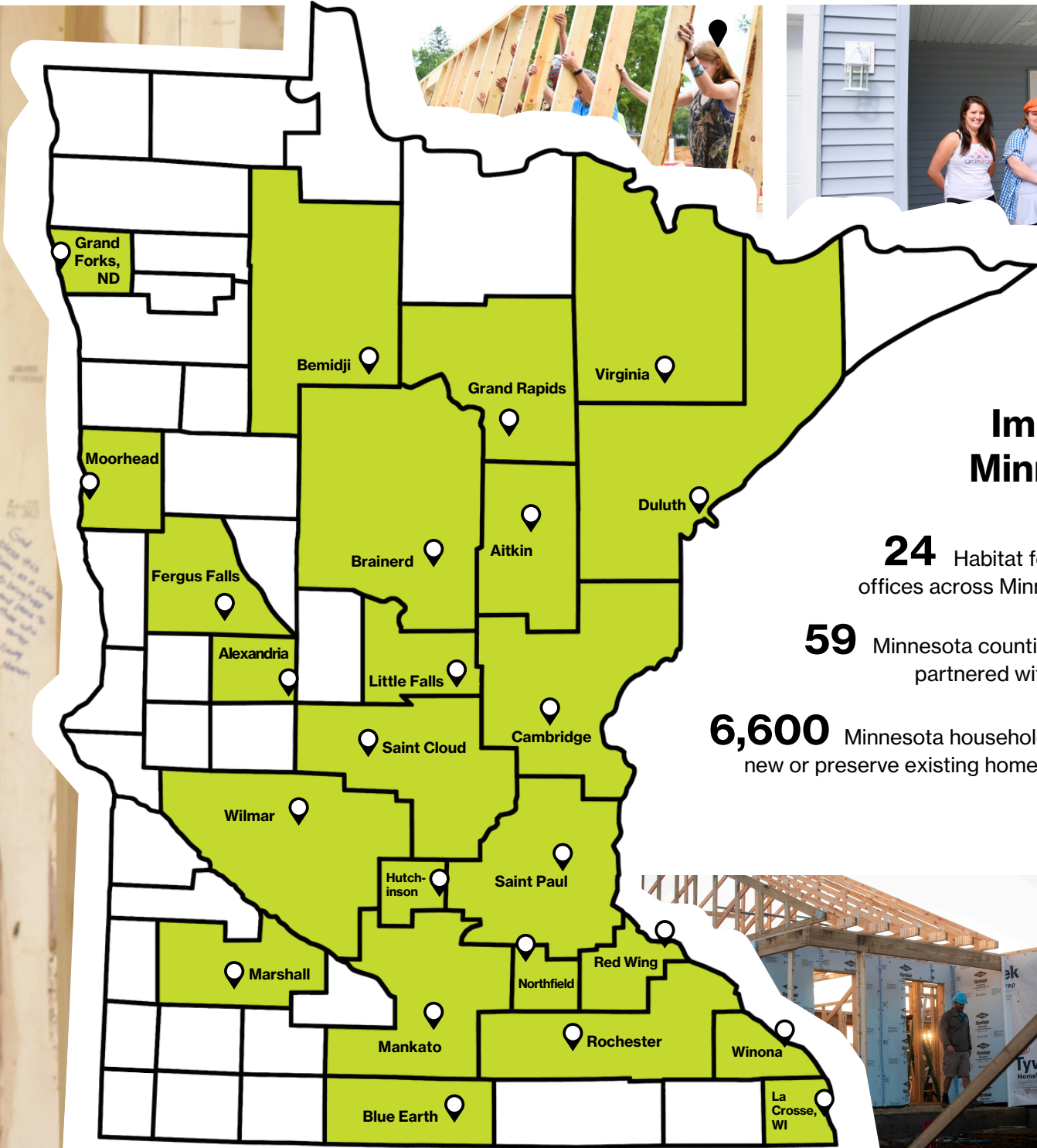
Improving long-term homeownership **security**

Helping Minnesotans retain their homes benefits family stability, children's education, community well-being, and our economy. It is crucial to making progress on closing racial gaps in homeownership and wealth. Habitat Minnesota supports public policies that ensure homeowners can retain their homes, equitably build wealth, and pass that stability down to future generations. This includes [improving regulations around Homeowner Associations \(HF1268/SF1750\)](#) and [making sure Minnesotans can afford to insure their homes \(HF2228/SF2205\)](#).

When we have dedicated, predictable funding for housing, we will ensure our families and future generations of Minnesotans can live and thrive here.

Why We Advocate.

We believe everyone deserves a safe, stable, and affordable place to call home. Habitat Minnesota is a statewide support organization for the 24 local Habitat for Humanity offices. Our legislative priorities are guided by their needs.



Impact in Minnesota

24 Habitat for Humanity offices across Minnesota serve

59 Minnesota counties and have partnered with more than

6,600 Minnesota households to create new or preserve existing homes since 1986



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