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2020 Milestones & Accessing Funds **FAITH BUILDS** – Quick Reference Guide

What is a milestone?

In the Habitat and Thrivent Faith Builds program, there are two milestones. These milestones have been established as points in which your affiliate has met specific requirements of the program and is now ready to receive a 50% draw on your funds. For every milestone you meet, it also means that you are making progress through your build and are closer to helping another family move into a decent, affordable home!

Managing your milestones

Milestone requirements and deadlines are listed in the [online Affiliate Monthly Report \(Project Status Report\)](#) which should first be submitted by March 1, 2020, and on a monthly basis thereafter until the home is complete. We are also providing you a Milestone Tracking document on the back of this guide for your convenience.

What happens when I meet all the components of a milestone ... how do I access the funds?

The funds from the Faith Builds award will be made available to your affiliate in two equal draws. Throughout this project, you will be in close contact with your Habitat for Humanity International Organizational Development Consultant (ODC-T). Your ODC-T provides leadership to the program and will authorize the release of funds from HFHI. Each milestone must be met in the order outlined in the Milestone Tracking on page 2.

Where does the funding come from and how can our affiliate expect to receive it?

Thrivent provides a percentage of the funding for your Faith Builds home(s).

Please note that the funding provided by Thrivent is administered by HFHI. As a result, you should expect the funding to be disbursed to your affiliate in two equal draws from HFHI. These funds will be remitted to your affiliate through Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) using the bank account information submitted in your house sponsorship agreement. The remaining 50% of the home cost should be sourced from local Christian churches in your community as part of the Faith Build Generosity Challenge.

Where do I submit required documentation?

All documentation identified as needing to be submitted to HFHI should be emailed or faxed to:

HFHI, Attn: Amanda Kutzler

Specialist, US Grants

322 West Lamar St

Americus, GA 31709-3543

Phone: 800-422-4828, ext. 7507 Fax: 229-410-7340 Email: usgrants@habitat.org

Plan ahead and send documents in advance of the deadline so you can meet the program requirements!



Milestone Tracking

Deadline	Milestone	Submit To	Date Sent
<p>Milestone One – When meeting the milestone requirements, your affiliate becomes an official participant in the Faith Builds program. <i>Note: Milestone One, part 1 must be met by November 30, 2019, or HFHI may, in its discretion, remove the affiliate from the 2020 Faith Builds program.</i> <i>Milestone One, part 2 must be met by August 1, 2020, UNLESS a later date has been previously agreed to by HFHI in writing, or HFHI may, in its discretion, terminate this Agreement without further obligation and remove Affiliate from the Faith Builds program.</i></p>			
Part 1: November 30, 2019	<u>Signed Affiliate Funding Agreement</u>	HFHI usgrants@habitat.org	
	<u>ACH Form</u> Submit completed ACH form with banking information to Accounts Payable.	HFHI bhughes@habitat.org	
	<u>Insurance Coverage</u> The Affiliate shall obtain and maintain at its own expense: A standard, occurrence-based comprehensive general liability with limits not less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) per occurrence (inclusive of primary and excess liability coverage), which shall include employment practices liability insurance, and Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) aggregate; 1. Each Affiliate shall also obtain and maintain at its own expense volunteer accident coverage not less than Two-Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) per accident, automobile liability insurance coverage for any vehicles maintained by the Affiliate with limits not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000), and 2. Worker’s compensation coverage with medical and disability coverage in an amount equal to the statutory limits. Affiliates in Texas must choose to be privately insured with respect to worker’s compensation coverage and shall not opt out of worker’s compensation coverage in favor of occupational accident coverage. Affiliate agrees that if it is not part of the Habitat Insurance Program, then HFHI will require a certificate of insurance evidencing coverage equal to the above limits via email at usgrants@habitat.org or fax 229-410-7340.		
Part 2: Upon volunteer engagement & church partnership	<u>Volunteer names</u> submitted through secured Habitat and Thrivent name submission website Submit names of all partnering churches that have committed to praying, volunteering and/or committing toward your funding goal in the Congregations section of the online Affiliate Monthly Project Status Report . This submission emails a copy to your Organizational Development Consultant-Thrivent (ODC-T).	Volunteer name submission website	
<p>Milestone Two – You have reached the final milestone ...you’re done! A big reason to celebrate with the partner family, volunteers and congregations. <i>Note: Affiliates not meeting grant parameters and deadlines may forfeit any remaining, non-disbursed grant funds for the sponsored houses, and may be deemed ineligible to participate in the 2021 program.</i></p>			
No later than January 15, 2021	Submit copy of the <u>Certificate of Occupancy</u> , or local equivalent documenting compliance with building inspection and applicable code and ordinances from the appropriate agency, to HFHI for all Faith Builds projects dated no later than December 31, 2020.	HFHI usgrants@habitat.org	
	Completion and submission of the Faith Builds Congregational Commitment Summary form to your ODC-T providing a listing of partnering churches and the final Faith Builds Generosity Challenge dollars committed and received toward the funding goal.		
	<u>Volunteer names</u> submitted in a timely manner throughout project.	Volunteer name submission website	
	Complete the <u>Final Build Report</u> section of the online Affiliate Project Status Report for each Faith Builds project.	Provide data online	