



Habitat for Heroes and Foundations for Families™

Habitat for Heroes and Foundations for Families™ was the first of its kind for Habitat for Humanity. It arose out of a vision in 2004 that would put veterans, active military and local families together in a mutually supportive community.

The ground-breaking concept for this 27-home development resulted from the collaboration between Habitat for Humanity of Orange County, the City of San Juan Capistrano, local churches and organizations, and dedicated volunteers. Habitat OC envisioned 14 of the 27 homes specifically for veterans, military, and surviving families of fallen heroes.

Working side by side, new homeowners were able to create enduring friendships, share life experiences, and begin building better, brighter futures for their families. The result is a thriving community, where neighbors look out for each other and kids can play safely outside together because someone is always looking out for them.

Habitat OC now approaches all new developments with the Habitat for Heroes and Foundations for Families™ concept in mind. Habitat for Humanity International encourages other affiliates across the nation to adopt this successful affordable home ownership model.