

# Habitat tops \$1M goal

## Polymer donation boosts Building Rutherford fundraising project

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MURFREESBORO — Rutherford County Habitat for Humanity announced in a news release that its Building Rutherford initiative recently reached \$1,007,520 in gifts and pledges.

A generous pledge of \$20,000 by Polymer Technology & Services pushed the campaign over \$1 million. "This donation is a big step toward the total goal of \$3,875,000, which is needed to build 45 homes across Rutherford County over the length of the campaign," said Wayne Moore, project director for Building Rutherford.

"We are excited to be part of the Habitat for Humanity, four-year, Building Rutherford initiative and are especially honored to be the organization that put this campaign over the \$1 million mark," said Tom Hooper, Polymer Technology & Services president. "Our whole team looks forward to working on a hands-on project in 2012."

Since 1992, PTS has been based in Murfreesboro, with sales and distribution of engineering plastics in North Amer-

ica and Asia. The company recently initiated sales and marketing operations in Europe.

"Our ability to serve our customers locally and develop specialized inventory programs globally allows PTS to offer a more robust supply chain for the demands of our multinational clients," Hooper said. "Having a place like Murfreesboro to come back to after a long business stay overseas, makes you really appreciate this great community and recognize the importance of agencies such as Habitat. Like everything else in life, if you want to keep a good thing going, you have to invest in it."

Building Rutherford is Habitat for Humanity's current initiative to raise awareness of the need for decent housing in the county and educate people about the Habitat program while raising funds to increase the number of homes built.

Rutherford County Habitat for Humanity, a nonprofit, non-denominational Christian housing ministry, seeks to eliminate substandard housing by building simple, decent, affordable



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Polymer Technology & Services presented a donation of \$20,000 to Habitat for Humanity. From left Tom Hooper, president of PTS; Thomas Beil, Patti Harris, Jonathan Guevart Tammy Cochran and Wayne Moore of Rutherford County Habitat for Humanity pose with the check representing the donation.

houses alongside low-income, working families. Homes are built by RCHFH construction staff, partner families and community volunteers. After a home is completed, it is sold to the family at no profit with zero-interest. RCHFH does not

give homes away.

If you would like to join Rutherford County Habitat for Humanity in this effort, contact Wayne Moore at 615-890-5877, ext. 110, or visit the website at [www.rutherfordhabitat.org](http://www.rutherfordhabitat.org) to learn more.