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WAHFH Dedicates Second Home!

On July 15, 2006, Waterville Area Habitat for Humanity celebrated the completion of its second home, located on Barnet Avenue in Waterville. Following a brief dedication and ribbon cutting led by WAHFH president Marc Chadbourne, the crowd of family, friends, and volunteers gathered to enjoy a light lunch and offer congratulations and well-wishes to new homeowner Bobbi Jo Belanger and her three eight-year-old sons, Nicholas, Brady and Hunter.

The Belangers were chosen following a multi-step process during which applicants are considered based on their housing need, their ability to repay a no-profit, no-interest mortgage, and their willingness to participate in the construction of their home. By the time a house is dedicated, Habitat partners have already invested hundreds of hours of "sweat equity" toward the building of their home. Mortgage payments, made over a period of 20-30 years, are used to fund the construction of more houses.



WAHFH's second home is complete.

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The Belanger's new house is a four bedroom, 1 and ½ bath, raised ranch with an open kitchen/dining/living space. Nestled into the existing hillside, a split entry allows easy access to living space on both the upper and lower levels. The home is also extremely energy efficient—Habitat houses are affordable to purchase *and* maintain!



**WAHFH partner Bobbi-Jo Belanger
Cuts the ribbon on her new home.**



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And, of course, thank you to the many individuals whose time, talents, and financial contributions support our efforts to provide decent, affordable housing in the Waterville area. Our mission depends on local support!

WAHFH Looks Ahead to Next Project

With the Belanger home complete, Waterville Area Habitat for Humanity has started making plans for our next project. Although we are eager to build again, several goals need to be accomplished before the work can begin. These include securing a suitable lot, building the financial resources to ensure completion of the project, and selecting our next partner family.

We expect to begin reviewing partner applications in the next few months, in anticipation of groundbreaking in 2007. Once underway, construction should last approximately ten months.

There are many ways to support the mission of WAHFH. Volunteers build the houses, provide food for workdays, and serve on various committees that work behind the scenes. Local businesses, organizations, faith communities, and individuals provide the financial and professional resources to make each project possible. Please monitor our progress at www.watervilleareahfh.org, and consider how you might contribute support to our mission!