



International Women's Day Build

Overseas Volunteering
Cambodia
March 2- 9, 2024





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In celebration and recognition of International Women's Day, March 2024, Habitat for Humanity Australia are bringing together a team of changemakers for a week in Siem Reap, Cambodia to build homes for vulnerable families as part of the Global Village program.

Join an enthusiastic team of men and women who will actively contribute to programs that support gender equality to enable and empower women, one brick at a time.

Build with purpose and heart.

Volunteers work shoulder-to-shoulder with in-country support staff, local Khmer tradespeople and community members to build homes, develop camaraderie and create lasting memories.

Unite with other likeminded individuals and trailblazers for an unforgettable experience where you will enjoy the wonders of the vibrant Cambodian culture and the warmth of its people, make new friends and change lives – including your own.

If you are unable to join us in person, you can still be involved through sponsorships or partnering with us.



Sophany's Story

Meet Sophany (33), a single mother of four daughters, Theara (14), Theory (13), Chenda (8) and Serey (2). Sophany plans to return to work at the garment factory, but in the meantime, she and her daughters collect and sell recycled cans and cardboard to support their family.

Through her hard work, Sophany saved enough money to buy a 7m x 15m plot of land upon which she built a makeshift house (pictured above). The dwelling was cramped and damp with improvised walls and a roof that leaked when it rained.

At the beginning of 2023, Sophany and her family were identified as a family who would be eligible for a new home through Habitat for Humanity Australia. A team of Habitat volunteers worked tirelessly in the Cambodian heat to help realise Sophany's dream of a safe and secure home for her family. It was a week of sweat, tears and smiles, with walls, friendships and memories built to last.

Sophany and her family were able to move into their new home just in time as their temporary shelter had become unsafe in the flash flooding and strong winds. Sophany expressed her joy at having a real home:

"Living here is so comfortable for us - lots of fresh air. I am beyond happy with words."



**"When will our volunteers come back? I miss them so much."
(Theory)**





Be a part of the change

Habitat for Humanity is one of the world's leading not-for-profit providers of housing for low-income and vulnerable families.

Since 1976, Habitat for Humanity has built or repaired over **1 million homes**, sheltering more than **five million people** in over **3,000 communities**. Across the Asia Pacific, we have designed and implemented innovative programs to **empower** communities to become **stronger** and more **resilient** in times of need.

We have been instrumental in changing attitudes, leading the world in shifting the emphasis from being reactive to being proactive in developing more sustainable and resilient communities.

Unite. Build. Empower.

The mutual benefits of volunteering with Global Village are immeasurable:

- Improve personal motivation and initiative
- Gain efficiencies through teamwork and collaboration
- Nurture innovative thinking
- Enrich your professional image
- Leverage a diverse range of marketing opportunities (both internally and externally)
- Recognise and celebrate shared values and social commitments
- Build trust and reciprocity amongst stakeholders
- Increase employee knowledge, skills and abilities (both personal and professional)
- Benefit from additional intellectual capital
- Develop communication and leadership skills
- Generate community relationships and benefit from networking opportunities
- Identify potential new business opportunities and partners

"I feel humbled by the resilient, strong and cheerful people in the communities in which I have worked on these builds. Given the opportunity, there are people there with the ability to rise a long way from their current positions and circumstances."

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"The best relationships are built on shared experience and trust. This experience will deepen the feeling of true partnership throughout our business."

Greg Keith,
CEO, Grant Thornton Australia



Get involved

Join the build.

Register by yourself or bring together a team of friends, family or colleagues. If you have 10 or more people in your team, you can be assigned to build one home together.



To express interest or to receive more information click [here](#) or scan QR code



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Build Dates:	2 - 9 March, 2024
Build Week Costs:	\$780 - \$1,000
Fundraising:	\$1,800 per person

Registrations close: 5 January, 2024
Build Week costs due: 19th January 2024
Fundraising due: 2nd February, 2024



Let's Talk.

We would love for you to join us in making a tangible difference in Cambodia for International Women's Day 2024.

If you have any questions about the build, please get in touch:

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