

# Habitat accepting applications for future build opportunities

**MASON CITY** — Habitat for Humanity of North Central Iowa is currently accepting applications for upcoming build opportunities.

Families who are ready for homeownership, but are unable to qualify for a traditional mortgage are encouraged to apply.

Applicants must have a steady income that falls between 30 percent and 60 percent of the area median income.

These requirements are adjusted depending on the number of members in the family.

Habitat offers the chance to buy a home with a 1 percent down payment and a 0 percent mortgage. Selected families are also asked to contribute toward the building process with "sweat equity" vol-

unteer hours, either on construction or with other Habitat efforts.

Two informational meetings have been scheduled to familiarize interested renters with the requirements for becoming a Habitat partner family.

The meetings are at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 27, or 11:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 28, in the Heritage Room at First Citizens National Bank, 2601 Fourth St. S.W.

All community members are welcome to attend to learn more about the Habitat application process and receive an application for themselves or someone they know.

Those looking to apply, volunteer, donate or become involved with a Habitat project can call the office at 641-424-8978 or visit [www.habitatnci.org](http://www.habitatnci.org).