



# Women Build

*When we were girls, we played house. As women, we build them!*

**May 2-9, 2009, women from the Charleston community will join together to help repair a home during National Women Build week. Women all over the country will partner with Habitat for Humanity during this same week leading up to Mother's Day to make affordable housing and stronger communities a reality in our hometowns.**

**Volunteers:** Groups of women will work together for 5 days for the week leading up to Mother's Day to repair a roof for our very first Rehab project. The project will take place in North Charleston in partnership with the Gardner family.

We need 10-15 women on the following days:

Saturday, May 2 – 8:30am – 3:30pm

Wednesday, May 6 – 8:30am – 3:30pm

Thursday, May 7 – 8:30am-3:30pm

Friday, May 8 – 8:30am – 3:30pm

Saturday, May 9 – 8:30am-3:30pm

**Feet for feet:** In partnership with local spas and nail salons, every female volunteer who sponsors a square foot of the house (or finds someone to sponsor a square foot in their honor) will be entered to win a complimentary pedicure at a local nail salon or spa. One square foot costs \$54.00. The female volunteer with the most square feet sponsored will receive a full day of spa treatment.

**Businesses/Corporations:** Businesses and corporations who are interested in supporting the efforts of WOMEN BUILD are asked to encourage their female employees to volunteer during Women Build Week as well as sponsor square feet in honor of their employees who do commit to volunteering.

**Rooftop Workshop:** For women who would like some training prior to Women Build week, construction supervisors of Charleston Habitat for Humanity will lead a "Rooftop Workshop" on how-to skills, tools training, and power-tool usage on **Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> from 3:00pm-5:00pm** on the construction site. This will be a great way to build confidence and become an active leader on a construction site. You will also be able to help other volunteers who have less experience.

**Media:** We encourage media to be involved and see how women are supporting our community. Visit our build site, feature a WOMEN BUILD leader, write an article on their efforts, and help them raise awareness about the need for affordable housing in Charleston and North Charleston.

For more information and additional ways to be involved in WOMEN BUILD, please contact Laurel Prichard, Volunteer Coordinator at (843)722-7145 or [laurel@charlestonhabitat.org](mailto:laurel@charlestonhabitat.org)