



Raise the Woof! is a competitive dog house building event, benefiting Habitat for Humanity of Champaign County. Last year, 20 teams came together (remotely!) to build their best version of a dog house, and in the process raised over \$25,000 to fund the creation of affordable housing here in Champaign County. This year's event will take place from 9 am-3 pm on Saturday, September 25th.

Teams will build on-site outside the Habitat for Humanity warehouse, near downtown Urbana, and will have 5 hours to build and decorate their entry. There are two different categories that build teams can participate in, the "Old Dogs" for teams with some building and/or design experience, and "Young Pups" for those teams who have little to no experience....but lots of enthusiasm! This year we are honoring our feline friends, and letting the "Old Dogs" teams build any sort of cat or dog habitat, including cat trees, dog crates, traditional outdoor dog houses, indoor pet beds....the sky is the limit!

Once the build has been completed, all the dog houses will be evaluated by both a group of guest judges from the CU community and all the other competing build teams, after which trophies will be awarded in 4 different categories. The dog houses will then be taken over the Habitat for Humanity ReStore, where the public can vote for their favorites...and even place a bid to own the pet habitat of their dreams! All money raised from the team entry fee and pet habitat auction will fund Habitat home builds here in Champaign County.













## **Build Categories**







#### "Old Dogs"

- For those with construction and/or design experience.
- Design provided by team. Team will be given some supplemental building materials but is not required to use them.
- Build an outdoor pet structure, for a DOG or CAT.
   (treated lumber base, 36" max width)

**OR** 

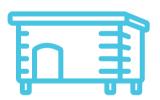
 Build an indoor pet structure, for a DOG or CAT. (any base, 28" max width)

### "Young Pups"

- For those with little or no construction and/or design experience.
- Build using the provided pre-cut standard dog house design and add your own decoration and accessories.
- Provided precut design is for an INDOOR dog house.









### Raise the Woof! 2021 Award Categories:

- THE "ULTI-MUTT": Judge's choice of the overall winner. Presented to the top team in both build categories.
- HOT DOG: All build teams choose their favorite from their competitors' pet structures. Presented to the top team in both build categories.
- MOST "PUP-ULAR": The "People's Choice" award, determined after a public vote. Presented to the top team in both build categories.
- THE 50 "SCENT": Awarded to the team that raises the most money via their Raise the Woof! 2020 team fundraising page on Just Giving.
- CITIZEN CANINE: Determined by Habitat staff and volunteers, and presented to the team that exhibits the best enthusiasm, creativity, advocacy, and teamwork!

# Raise the Woof!

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Thank you for participating in our event! Please select which build category you would like to enter and fill out your contact information below:



"OLD DOGS" For those with previous construction and/or design experience.  Team will provide their own design and the building materials of their choice. Some building materials will be provided by Habitat, but teams are not required to use them.
"YOUNG PUPS" For those with little to no building experience. Teams will build using a pre-designed, pre-cut set provided by Habitat and then add their own design elements and accessories.
Team Name:
Contact Person:
Contact Phone Number:
Contact Email:

Entry fee is \$200 per team this year, but we encourage teams to fundraise more! A trophy will be awarded to the top fundraising team, and every dollar raised will help us build with local families in need of safe, decent, and affordable housing.

Teams may pay the entry fee by check (made out to Habitat for Humanity of Champaign County) or electronically, via the online fundraising platform, Just Giving. You can even fundraise the entry fee by creating an online team fundraising page and sharing it with your friends and family!

https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/raisethewoof3



Please scan and email back this form to Lauren at <a href="mailto:development@cuhabitat.org">development@cuhabitat.org</a> or mail to: 119 E University Ave, Champaign IL 61820

Registration deadline: September 17th







