

Repurposing God's Property

There is an emerging national trend of congregation's repurposing a portion of their buildings and land to generate affordable housing. Many faith organizations are discerning that they have enough building assets to meet their needs, and so they turned to the community's most urgent need when considering what to do with their surplus property: affordable housing. Be inspired by the models below and contact [Rick Beech](#) if you would like to discuss repurposing some of your congregation's property with Habitat Wake.

Local Models

Inaugural [Habitat Wake](#) Repurposing Project Underway | This project with Wake County faith partners is still in its early stages. It has the potential to generate 20 new affordable homes. We look forward to sharing more details about this project in the days ahead!

[Greenwood Forest Baptist Church, Cary](#) | Plans are underway with the Town of Cary for a portion of their campus to be used for a mixed-use facility, including a Children's Center with programming by the Taylor Family YMCA, administrative offices for The Caring Place, and housing units managed by The Caring Place and DHIC.

[The Presbytery of New Hope](#) is repurposing the former Milner Memorial Presbyterian Church in Raleigh with Brightspire and DHIC to create Milner Commons a 156-unit complex for seniors with modest means.

[Mount Vernon Baptist Church](#) and Durham Habitat have a repurposing project underway.

National Models

[Habitat of Orange County](#) (CA) is partnering with St. Michael's and St. Anselm Episcopal Churches in Anaheim to build approximately 20 – 28 townhomes.



[Loveland Habitat](#) is building 167 affordable housing units in Loveland, Colorado on land donated by Grace Lutheran Church.

[Chippewa Valley Habitat](#) is converting a two-story classroom wing of a local church into housing for veterans.

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