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Habitat ReStore coming soon to Newburgh

Newburgh - The City of Newburgh will soon have its own ReStore. The popular home builders "treasure store" has been featured on the Home and Garden television network and shows like "Flip This House."

So, what is a ReStore? It's a place where individuals, contractors and businesses donate home building items. Habitat for Humanity, which runs the ReStore, then sells the donated items at a substantial discount to the public.

Most of the renovations for the store have been completed including windows, concrete floors and new doors. It will officially open on July 11th with a grand opening celebration.

Congressman Maurice Hinchey recently visited the ReStore and met with Chris Knasiak, the ReStore Manager. Knasiak was hired in February to run the stores day to day operations. She was most recently the City of Newburgh's Clean and Green Coordinator. "This is a wonderful opportunity to contribute to Habitat's mission of providing affordable housing by selling donated items destined for the dump," said Knasiak.

Knasiak gave Hinchey a tour of the facility which will help Habitat in fulfilling its mission of providing decent, affordable housing. Hinchey said, "I think this is a wonderful idea," and "this will tremendously help Habitat's effort to providing affordable housing in Newburgh."

Volunteers are still needed for the ReStore which will be open Wednesday through Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. with extended hours until 7 p.m. on Thursdays. Volunteer shifts are 8 a.m. to 12 noon and 12 noon to 4 p.m. each day with an additional time slot from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursdays.

If you would like to volunteer at the ReStore, contact Chris Knasiak at (845) 565-1789. Additional openings are available for picking up donated materials from homeowners and local businesses.