

A tremendous need worldwide



- Almost 19% of U.S. homeowners report major structural damage to their living quarters, such as a hole in the roof, a crumbling foundation or broken windows.
- Forty percent of U.S. households with children (both owners and renters) had one or more of three housing problems: physically inadequate housing, crowded housing, or a housing-cost burden of more than 30 percent of household income.
- Nowhere in America does a full-time minimum-wage job cover the cost of a modest two-bedroom rental at 30 percent of income.
- The United Nations estimates that over 1 billion people live in slums in cities. That is one sixth of the world population.



What is The Fuller Center for Housing?

The Fuller Center for Housing (FCH), faith-driven and Christ-centered, promotes collaborative and innovative partnerships with individuals and organizations in an unrelenting quest to provide adequate shelter for all people in need worldwide.

FCH works by forming covenant partnerships with concerned groups of people, community organizations, churches and others. The Fuller Center then provides the structure, guidance and technical support needed to build and repair houses for people in need.

FCH seeks to be a catalyst for great works occurring at a grassroots level and is committed to the development and uplifting of families and communities, not just the construction and rehabilitation of houses.

As an unashamedly Christian ecumenical organization, we believe that God's love - and our work - extends to everyone, regardless of race or faith. We welcome volunteers and supporters of all faiths who share our belief that helping someone to build and own a home is a part of basic, human dignity.

Our founders: Millard and Linda Fuller



Millard and Linda Fuller co-founded FCH in 2005 after starting and leading Habitat for Humanity for 29 years. Former President Bill Clinton said Millard "revolutionized the concept of philanthropy" with HFHI, which built 200,000 homes in 100 countries under Millard's leadership. In 1996, Millard was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by Clinton, the highest award for an American civilian.

Annual events not to miss:

- **MILLARD FULLER LEGACY BUILD (fall)** - A gathering of hundreds of volunteers from around the country and the world to build several houses in just one week
- **THE FULLER CENTER BICYCLE ADVENTURE (summer)** - A long-distance bike trip to spread the word about and raise money for The Fuller Center
- **EARTH DAY BUILD (spring)** - One week of home building using environmentally friendly and energy efficient materials and methods



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Building a better world, one house at a time



Unless the Lord builds the house, its builders labor in vain. - Psalm 127:1

The Fuller Center's core values and principles



Based in Americus, Georgia near Koinonia Farm, where both the Fuller Center and Habitat for Humanity were born, The Fuller Center is a grassroots, affordable housing movement. Community leadership teams called covenant partners raise funds and make decisions about family selection, family nurturing, volunteer management and construction.

Along with house construction, The Fuller Center's repair ministry does Greater Blessing projects, from wheelchair ramps to full house renovations. Gifts back from recipients go toward other repair projects, bestowing the "greater blessing" of giving upon the homeowner who has received. The program structures flexible repayment options for seniors, disabled and those homeowners on fixed incomes.

The Fuller Center is grounded in the teachings of Koinonia's founder Clarence Jordan and Millard Fuller's ideas of the Economics of Jesus and the Theology of the Hammer. We begin with a belief that all people deserve at least a simple, decent, affordable place to live. The Fuller Center is not a church, but a servant to the church, and we strive to carry out our founder's vision that true faith involves action.

Our basic methods include:

- **No profit and no interest mortgages** (Exodus 22:25) – Payments are used to assist other families in need.
- **Volunteer labor and donated materials** - Whenever possible, local and/or green building materials are utilized.
- **Sweat Equity labor** required of new homeowners.



Clarence Jordan and Millard Fuller at Koinonia in 1968

Great strides since 2005

FCH goes where it is called, no matter how small the location. And no corner of the world is too remote. FCH also builds in areas overcoming conflict and disaster. The Fuller Center currently works in more than 50 U.S. communities and 15 other countries. Here is a sampling of current projects:

U.S. COVENANT PARTNERS

- **Chattahoochee Valley, Alabama & Georgia** - Since 2007, FCH has been transforming a tri-city area by working toward building 500 homes. In its first three years, this partner has built more than 20 new homes, renovated more than 15 and hosted 300 volunteers at the first Millard Fuller Legacy Build.
- **Louisville, Kentucky** - Steady progress is being made on the goal to build and renovate a total of 1,000 homes in 1,000 days. FCH will enable the renewal of rundown urban areas.
- **Greenwood-Leflore, Mississippi** - In a community of only 18,000, new home constructions and regular additions of wheelchair ramps to old homes makes a noticeable difference.

INTERNATIONAL COVENANT PARTNERS

- **Armenia** - FCH is active in 11 local communities helping to complete many of the thousands of half-finished homes that resulted from a severe, post-Soviet Union economic crisis.
- **Nigeria** - More than 50 houses have been built in a 75-house parcel outside the capital, Abuja, using an innovative, incremental housing system.
- **El Salvador** - More than 30 homes have been completed in a 60-home community that local families named Villa Millard and Linda Fuller.

Fuller Center Programs

DISASTER RE-BUILDERS - This mobile group targets disaster areas to restore damaged homes for families in need. Once an area is adequately recovered, the group strives to leave behind a lasting covenant partner before moving on to another disaster-afflicted area.

FAITH BUILDERS - Churches who want to make a difference in their area without forming a covenant partner organization can receive technical guidance from FCH to form work teams and do minor repair work in their communities.

GLOBAL BUILDERS - Travel to places like Peru, Armenia, Nigeria, Sri Lanka and El Salvador to experience another culture and help improve the lives of people in need overseas.

RV BUILDERS - If you live or travel often in your RV, join our roving teams of self-sufficient volunteers willing to transport their skills to covenant partners all over the United States.

STUDENT BUILDERS - We invite college students and youth groups to join their local covenant partner, or a project in another location, in volunteering and fund raising. No one is too young to make a difference!

