

# Revitalize Milwaukee:Block Build MKE 2023 will transform Muskego Way neighborhood

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MILWAUKEE – Block Build MKE 2023, the signature annual project of Revitalize Milwaukee, will transform 18 homes in Milwaukee’s Muskego Way Neighborhood.

The neighborhood rehabilitation project will take place on Saturday, Aug. 19, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The houses will receive free repairs and upgrades, collectively valued at more than \$500,000, in less than 48 hours. The projects will include rebuilt porches, bathroom conversions, updated kitchens, accessibility modifications, painting, beautification and more.

More than 500 volunteers will perform the repairs and upgrades.

“Each year, Block Build MKE improves the quality of life and stabilizes a Milwaukee neighborhood. The critical repairs completed are essential to helping homeowners stay in their homes,” said Lynnea Katz-Petted, CEO of Revitalize Milwaukee. “Block Build MKE affirms Revitalize Milwaukee’s standing as a mandatory community resource. And we couldn’t do it without the support of our volunteers, partners and sponsors.”

The Muskego Way Neighborhood is located on Milwaukee’s southwest side, bordered by West Greenfield Avenue to the north, West Becher Street to the south, South 16 th Street to the east and South Layton Boulevard to the west. It is a densely populated neighborhood with many homes, businesses, restaurants and parks.

This year, Revitalize Milwaukee is partnering with the Muskego Way Forward Initiative, a neighborhood association that is part of the Milwaukee Christian Center. The Milwaukee Police Department, the Milwaukee Fire Department, Safe & Sound and dozens of corporate partners also are supporting the project.

“Milwaukee Christian Center and our Muskego Way Forward Initiative are so grateful that Revitalize Milwaukee chose the Muskego Way Neighborhood for Block Build MKE 2023. By offering these incredible upgrades and repairs in this neighborhood, these volunteers are helping to keep homeowners in their homes and leading the charge to build strong neighborhoods,” said Karen Higgins, executive director of the Milwaukee Christian Center.

The mission of Revitalize Milwaukee, a nonprofit organization, is to stabilize neighborhoods by providing free, critical home repairs for low-income homeowners. Since 2000, Revitalize Milwaukee has completed critical repairs on more than 3,400 homes with the help of more than 10,000 volunteers and has invested more than \$24 million into Milwaukee-area housing.

Home Depot is the presenting sponsor of Block Build MKE 2023. Milwaukee Tool and Associated Bank are the city block sponsors, and Continental Properties and Northwestern Mutual are the neighborhood sponsors.