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**HABITAT BROWARD RAISES MONEY, COLLECTS SUPPLIES FOR HAITI RELIEF EFFORTS**  
**Thousands from across South Florida helped out with donation drive**

**Fort Lauderdale, FL (February 5, 2010)** – Habitat for Humanity of Broward, Inc. raised more than \$35,000 and shipped 250 pallets of much-needed supplies to Haiti, helping to assist with the recovery efforts of the earthquake-ravaged nation. Thousands of individuals from across South Florida donated materials, time and funds to the Haiti relief donation drive, which took place at the Habitat Re-Store, located at 505 W. Broward Blvd. in downtown Fort Lauderdale.

Thanks to a partnership with **Suddath Relocation Systems Inc.**, the supplies have already been transported to Haiti and will be distributed through **Food for the Poor**, the largest international relief organization in the United States.

Preparations for the donation drive began immediately following the earthquake on January 12, and word spread quickly throughout the community thanks to promotional efforts by **WSVN-TV Channel 7** and **Mobile Mike**.

“We just saw an amazing outpouring of kindness from the community,” said Nancy Daly, Habitat board member and chair of the Habitat Re-Store. Daly said that during one 16-hour stretch of the donation drive, individuals who just happened to be driving by began jumping out of their cars to assist in unloading and sorting donations of food, water, medical supplies and more.

Funds raised through the drive will be given to Habitat for Humanity International, which has had a presence in Haiti for 26 years and will use its local expertise to address immediate relief efforts and find long-term shelter solutions for low-income families.

Habitat Broward is no longer taking material donations for Haiti relief, but it is still accepting financial contributions as well as donations of tents large enough for 10-12 people, which will be used to provide temporary shelter for displaced families.

To make a donation, contact the Habitat Re-Store at (954) 763-7771. The Re-Store is located at 505 W. Broward Blvd. and is open Monday – Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**About Habitat Broward**

Celebrating more than 25 years of building houses, building hope in Broward County, Habitat for Humanity of Broward is a non-profit, non-denominational Christian housing ministry that has successfully built more than 300 homes. Dedicated to eradicating substandard housing by building simple, decent, affordable homes in partnership with low and very-low income families in need, Habitat for Humanity is a catalyst for individual and community transformation. To learn more, visit our website: [www.habitatbroward.org](http://www.habitatbroward.org).