

# habitat insider

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## Meet Board Member Rev. Jerome E. Tilghman Sr.

Rev. Tilghman joined the Habitat Choptank Board in April 2024. He is an ordained Elder in the Peninsula-Delaware Conference, Upper Shore District of the United Methodist Church. His educational journeys lead him to Chesapeake College where he earned an Associates of Arts, Wilmington University, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science, and he continued on to Wesley Theological Seminary. Along with his extensive educational background, Rev. Tilghman has been awarded many certificates and degrees in performance management, safe sanctuary, CPE, Strengthen The Black Church, Equitable Compensation, and computer training.



Rev. Tilghman worked for Cambridge International Inc. for over 36 years before taking early retirement in 2005 to fulfill his calling into full time pastoral ministry. He has served on several conference and district committees and as Chaplain in Maryland and Delaware. Presently, Rev. Tilghman is serving The Cambridge Circuit (St. Luke / Waugh Chapel United Methodist Church) on the Upper Shore District of the Pen-Del Conference.

He has a passion for serving and ministering to people from all walks of life. He has a heart for the least of God's people and has a desire to share the Good News wherever God's Holy Spirit leads him. While he loves to preach and teach, he is always in an attitude of sharing God's grace and continually learning how to invite others into The Kingdom of God.

*Thank you for serving on Habitat Choptank's Board, Rev. Tilghman!*

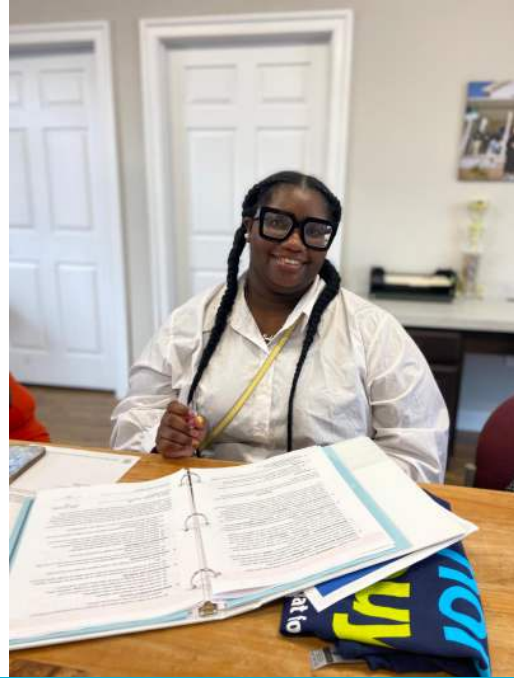
## New Partner Sha'Queelah

Join us in welcoming Sha'Queelah,  
who signed on as a new partner  
homebuyer this month!

Interested in homeownership and what it means to partner with us?

*Click below to read more!*

Learn more!



## New Hire: Meet Mara

Mara Fernandez joined the Habitat Choptank ReStore team as the Donations Coordinator earlier this month. In previous roles, she assisted Spanish speakers in learning English for a church. Her passion for helping others is evident in all that she does. Mara is excited about her position and the ability to help people in the store and grow their understanding of the resources within Habitat Choptank. She recently moved into her Habitat Home with her mom Martha, and is excited to be part of an organization that makes people feel like they belong, just like with her family!



***If you see Mara at the ReStore, make sure to stop and say hello!***

## Hard Hats & High Heels - Save the Date!





## save the date!

Join us for an evening of food and drinks, live music from [Saved by Zero](#), dancing, live and silent auctions, and more!

Saturday, October 19, 2024

6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

The Waterfowl Building

40 S. Harrison St

Easton, MD 21601



[Click here for more Info!](#)

## Rock the Block - A Community Celebration

*We had a blast celebrating the community with neighbors, games, and good vibes!*

*A huge thank you to all the community partners including Dorchester County Health Department, Groove City Black Heritage & Culture Group, One Mission Cambridge, Santé - Eastern Shore, Shore Legal Access, Alpha Genesis, Mid Shore Behavioral Health, Dorchester County Library, Four Eleven Kitchen, and Dorchester County 4H that came out to provide resources and spend the day with us in the park. To see more pictures from the day, check it out on Facebook [here](#).*



A few friends, making cards for their Mom!

Dancing the day away!

## Tree the Shore!

Trees are such a vital part of our community that we often take for granted. [ShoreRivers](#) is committed to working with all communities, especially historically underserved communities to plant trees that will shade their homes and mitigate flooding.

Join the initiative to help tree the Shore by requesting a free tree today!

Simply click the button below and apply for a no-cost street tree, provided that they are planted in a location that benefits the community; in your front yard, along a sidewalk, in a park or community open space.

Request a tree!



## upcoming events

### Pre-purchase Homebuyer Workshop

Join us for the workshop at 9am on Saturday, June 22, 2024 at our office at 29349 Maple Ave, Suite 3 in Trappe, MD. Registration required - register [here!!](#)

### Home Dedication

Join us for our next home dedication on Saturday, June 22, 2024 at Wells Street in Cambridge at 9am!

### Financial Literacy II: Credit and Lending

Join us for the workshop at 5:30pm on Thursday, June 27, 2024 at our office at 29349 Maple Ave, Suite 3 in Trappe, MD. Registration required - register [here!!](#)

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