



Bob Genier

#MeetOurVolunteers

Bob Genie grew up on a Dairy farm, on the New York-Vermont line, before moving to Mass in order to attend College.

He currently lives in Haverhill with his wife Cyndy.

Before retiring, Bob's career path had him working as a Machinist, B. S. Mechanical Engineering, Manufacturing Engineer, Sales Engineer, senior Sales and Marketing Management, senior corporate management and entrepreneur, with most notably, Atwood and Morrill, a valve manufacturing company in Salem, MA. As many of our regular volunteers would admit, having an Engineer on site is always a huge bonus!

Bob began volunteering in the 1990s as a member of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Andover, a couple of weekends per year. In the fall of 2013, he joined the Thursday crew, working on the convent project. Since 2013 Bob has worked at 8 build sites. He says that "it is rewarding to see a project grow from a rough lot, to a hole in the ground, to bare framed building, to a finished home ready for the families to move in." He has loved learning many new skills, along the way.

Bob says that he enjoys the hands-on work, working with a crew of congenial like-minded fellow volunteers and the Habitat staff. In particular he likes it when he has the opportunity to meet and work with future homeowners. "They bring home the reason we volunteer."

In addition to Volunteering with Habitat, Bob enjoys time spent with his grandchildren, Ella 10, and Leo 3, and helping our other daughter and her mate renovate their house. Cyndy and Bob also enjoys traveling during the year.

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VOLUNTEER PROFILE



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Bill Prenovitz is one of our regular volunteers who is currently spending his time at the Andover build site.

Bill was born in the Bronx, NY and is now living in Lexington, MA.

Before he joined the Habitat weekday crew, Bill volunteered through Temple Shir Tikvah in Winchester. After retiring, he decided to join the regular crew of volunteers in Lawrence on a weekly basis. He is now part of the weekday crew that is building homes in Andover, MA. He has been part of the Habitat team for 4 years now!

When asked what his favorite part about volunteering with Habitat is, Bill stated that he enjoys the time working with a great team while contributing to the community and learning new skills.

Some of his favorite times are when he gets to meet the home owners-to-be when they are still building the homes. It connects the day-to-day work with Habitat's mission and creates a greater sense of urgency to complete the work.

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