



# Rebuilding Hope

THE RTMC PLAYHOUSE PROJECT

Life-Sized Eco-Sustainable Playhouses to Grace the Shops at Wisconsin Place Plaza  
*Seven expertly made, uniquely designed playhouses will be on display from May 28<sup>th</sup> through  
June 24<sup>th</sup>*

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(Gaithersburg, Maryland--May,2016) Life-sized playhouses that incorporate ecologically sound, sustainable, and accessible design elements will be on display on The Plaza at The Shops at Wisconsin Place in Chevy Chase, Maryland from May 28 to June 24, 2016. The playhouses will be displayed throughout The Plaza and can be seen from the corner of Wisconsin Avenue and Western Avenue N.W.

The Playhouse Project is a fun and unique fundraiser. It involves the displaying of and auctioning of seven elaborate children's playhouses. All funds from the auction and from associated fundraising will go to Rebuilding Together Montgomery County, a nonprofit organization that provides free critical repairs, energy efficiency upgrades, and accessibility modifications for low-income homeowners in Montgomery County.

All seven of the playhouses for sale were visualized and built by local builders and craftspeople that donate their time throughout the year rebuilding and renovation projects (through RTMC). Each playhouse has been skillfully constructed to withstand the elements and rigors of children at play while at the same time, maintain the sense-of-wonder that is implicit in public art installations. This year's playhouses and builders include:

- Sandy Springs Station, built by Sandy Springs Builders
- Mother Earth's Cabin, built by Sustainable Design Group
- Hobbit House, built by Harkins Builders
- MiNi-Shed, built by Pepco Holdings, Maryland Custom Builders, Inc., and Grid Architects
- Accessible Sandcastle, built by Pro Home Contractor, Levine Design Studio, Fann,INC., and Accessible Home Associates
- Wendy's Shoreline House, built by DG Liu Contractor Inc.

Plans and drawings of the units can be seen at: <http://rebuilding-hope.org/>

The RTMC Playhouse Project will culminate in a ticketed cocktail reception and live auction from 7:00-9:30 PM on Saturday, June 18, 2016 on The Plaza at The Shops at Wisconsin Place. A limited number of tickets have been for sale since the beginning of April 2016. Attendees of this event must be over the age of twenty-one. Advanced purchase of the elaborate playhouses will be available through the website listed above beginning on May 30. In addition, proxy bidding will be accepted on the evening of the live auction. Call 301-947-9400 for more information on how to arrange for a proxy bidder.

#### **ABOUT REBUILDING TOGETHER MONTGOMERY COUNTY**

Rebuilding Together Montgomery County envisions a safe and healthy home for every person. For 25 years, RTMC has served more than 1,900 households, touching the lives of families with children, individuals with disabilities, veterans and the elderly. RTMC's mission is to bring volunteers and communities together to improve the homes and lives of low-income homeowners in Montgomery County. For more information, visit [www.rebuilding-hope.org](http://www.rebuilding-hope.org) or contact Aaron Gonzales by email, [agonzales@rebuildingtogethermc.org](mailto:agonzales@rebuildingtogethermc.org), or phone, 301-947-9400 x10.