Congressman Blumenauer met with Habitat for Humanity for an update on the work they're doing in Oregon, building 166 new homes in the last two years, in addition to broadening their focus to rehabilitate entire neighborhoods. These efforts also have positive impacts abroad. A portion of their revenue goes toward creating housing solutions for the urban poor in developing countries, focusing on water and sanitation, housing microfinance, and other areas.

"Habitat for Humanity is a perfect example of federal funding providing seed money for greater good, bringing together volunteers, church groups, high schools, and many others looking to make our communities safer, healthier, and more economically secure," Blumenauer said. "I look forward to working with them on these efforts, both at home and abroad."