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<https://www.manufacturedhousing.org/news/volume-manufacturer-of-the-year-winner/>

The Volume Manufacturer of the Year Winner was awarded to [Clayton Home Building Group](#). MHI announced the 2024 Excellence in Manufactured Housing Award recipients during the MHI Congress & Expo in Las Vegas.



Clayton Home Building Group is a values-based, single-family home builder who strives to "Open doors to a better life" for homeowners, team members, and the communities in which we live and work. In 2023, they constructed 47,200 off-site built (manufactured) homes.

During another year of rising home prices and interest rates, Clayton Home Building Group team members helped nearly 60,000 families achieve the dream of homeownership.

On July 10, 2023, Clayton Home Building Group introduced the highest performing, most energy efficient home we've ever built: the eBuilt® home. Built to the US Department of Energy's Zero Energy Ready Home™ standards, eBuilt homes are so energy efficient, homeowners can reduce their annual energy bills by up to 50%<sup>1</sup> and add a renewable solar energy system after purchase for even more savings.

eBuilt homes tackle the “hidden mortgage,” the financial burden many



families face when the cost of energy bills over time can be as much or more than the cost of the home itself. Clayton Home Building Group is the only large-scale off-site home builder offering homes built to Zero Energy Ready Home standards, and in most cases, at no additional cost to homeowners.

Thirty-nine Clayton home building facilities were awarded the 2023 ENERGY STAR® Residential New Construction Market Leader Award. In 2022, Clayton Home Building Group built 30,244 ENERGY STAR® certified homes. According to ENERGY STAR®, certified homes are at least 10 percent more energy efficient than those built to local and state code and achieve an average 20 percent energysaving improvement. ENERGY STAR® estimates the 30,244 certified homes Clayton Home Building Group built in 2022 will save Clayton homeowners \$8.89 million in annual utility bills.

A new urban infill project in Atlanta, GA, featuring two Clayton CrossMod® homes demonstrates how flexible zoning policies can address the housing crisis in urban areas. Clayton Built® CrossMods blur the lines between off-site and site-built homes and are the first of their kind within the Atlanta city limits.



1972, Clayton's first home building facility opened, TRU Halls. And in 2023, TRU Halls accomplished a true milestone – building its 50,000th TRU home. They celebrate TRU Halls team members for making homeownership attainable to 50,000 families for over half a century.

History was made in 2023 when Clayton's first all-female driving team, consisting of two pilot drivers and one toter driver, pulled a Clayton home from its origin to destination. On December 18, Sherein Sumrall, Izabella Brunson and Kia Allison left Clayton Rockwell in North Carolina with the Sunrise, a home from Clayton's Benchmark series, and delivered it to Clayton Homes of Florence, SC. At Clayton, they strive to provide boundless opportunities for all team members.

As part of a partnership between Clayton and Family Promise, an organization assisting families with children at risk of homelessness, Clayton donates new homes to be used as transitional housing for families seeking to rebuild their lives. This year, Clayton donated its fifteenth home to a Family Promise affiliate in Marysville, OH.







To view all the winners of the 2024 MHI Excellence in Manufactured Housing Awards, visit [ManufacturedHousing.org](https://www.manufacturedhousing.org).

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# OHIO MANUFACTURED HOMES ASSOCIATION

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The Ohio Manufactured Housing Association (OMHA) [responded](#) to the March 17, 2024, [news article](#) in The Columbus Dispatch about the Indian Lake tornadoes in Logan County involving manufactured homes.

OMHA Executive Director Tim Williams replied to The Columbus Dispatch as follows:

I am responding to the March 17, 2024, news article written by Peter Gill for The Columbus Dispatch regarding the Indian Lake tornadoes in Logan County involving manufactured homes. First and most importantly, I extend my sincerest sympathies to the families who lost loved ones as well as all who were impacted by the tornadoes in Logan County and elsewhere in Ohio. May God bless them all in their hour of grief and need.

Any site-built home, manufactured home or mobile home directly hit by a tornado will be destroyed. Tornadoes do not target manufactured homes in some mysterious way. As evidenced by tornadoes just a few weeks ago in Hilliard, OH, some site-built structures were destroyed while leaving intact nearby manufactured homes.

“Mobile homes” are older homes built prior to 1976. The reporter failed to distinguish between older mobile homes and today’s manufactured homes. Manufactured homes since 1976 are built to a strict construction and safety code regulated by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. All manufactured homes are inspected in a factory by federal contractors to ensure compliance with the rigorous building and safety code requirements. Those inspections also include adherence to strict wind zone requirements based on the geographic location of the homes.

Furthermore, the previous Ohio Manufactured Homes Commission's adoption of on-site foundation, and installation regulations including three on-site home inspections which exceed federal requirements in addition to the factory inspections has given Ohio one of the, if not the most, robust manufactured home installation and inspection program of any state in the country. The Ohio Department of Commerce adopted those standards and assumed responsibility for administering, inspection and enforcement in 2018.

The reporter is correct in that manufactured homes are indeed the most affordable housing option today. Moreover, according to a 2023 Trifecta study, *"manufactured homes retailing for \$100,000 or more are purchased three times as often by households with incomes greater than \$75,000 a year and five times more often when you cross the \$200,000 purchase price."* Obviously manufactured homes are an affordable home for any income level.

Ohio Governor Mike DeWine is to be commended for quickly declaring a state of emergency in the eleven counties impacted by the March 14<sup>th</sup> tornadoes. New state-of-the-art manufactured homes with the highest safety and construction standards can be placed in the Lakeview and Russell's Point areas as well as other impacted counties where homeowners have been displaced. Manufactured homes can be placed in as little as just a few weeks to several months depending on the status of the existing infrastructure and homeowner's needs.

Manufactured homes are the most affordable form of housing with the strictest building, safety, and wind zone requirements of any form of housing. I encourage Ohio officials to consider utilizing new manufactured homes to provide housing for those left homeless by the March 14<sup>th</sup> tornadoes. For further information on home replacements please visit [www.ohmanufacturedhomes.com](http://www.ohmanufacturedhomes.com)

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