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Habitat for Humanity Windsor-Essex Dedicates 79th and 80th Homes on Family Day

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Habitat for Humanity Windsor-Essex (HFHWE) invited the community to attend their Family Day home Dedication Ceremony for two new families – the 79th and 80th Habitat build projects in the Windsor-Essex Region.

With addresses from politicians, Habitat representatives, and the new homeowners themselves, these families were welcomed home to the vibrant community of Ford City.

The two families built their homes with 107 volunteers and corporate build teams who donated 1,263 hours of their time and labour to make their dream of affordable, permanent, homeownership a reality. These homes are funded in part through the Government of Canada's National Housing Co-Investment Fund, administered by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC). Funding such as this allows Habitat to scale up building projects, serving more families.

"Every Canadian deserves a safe place to call home. Through the National Housing Co-Investment Fund, our government is investing in affordable housing here in Windsor and across the country. In partnership with Habitat for Humanity Windsor-Essex, this investment will help two Windsor families access affordable housing, achieve their dream of homeownership, and have pride in where they live. This is the National Housing Strategy at work." – Irek Kusmierczyk, Member of Parliament for Windsor-Tecumseh

"Habitat's model is unlike any other affordable housing option." Habitat homeowners help build their own homes and purchase them through a zero-interest mortgage geared to their income. This allows families to build equity for their future and helps reverse the cycle of poverty." states Rob Roy, Board Vice-Chair, HFHWE. "We know this works for families and we know that for every \$1 invested in Habitat for Humanity there is a \$4 return to the community." Roy adds.

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Habitat for Humanity plans to build one more home on Henry Ford Centre Drive this year, before moving to Sandwich Towne where they will break ground on 4 additional homes in 2023.

Habitat for Humanity Windsor-Essex's mission is to mobilize volunteers and community partners in building affordable housing and promoting home ownership as a means to breaking the cycle of poverty. You can support Habitat for Humanity Windsor-Essex by donating or shopping at the Habitat Restore ReStore located at 51 Edinborough Street in Windsor. Visit habitatwindsor.org for more information.

About Habitat for Humanity Canada Habitat for Humanity brings communities together to help families build strength, stability and independence through affordable homeownership. With the help of volunteers, Habitat homeowners and 48 local Habitats working in every province and territory, we provide a solid foundation for better, healthier lives in Canada and around the world. Habitat for Humanity Canada is a member of Habitat for Humanity International, which was established in 1976 and has grown to become a leading global non-profit working in more than 70 countries.

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