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***Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity Celebrates Groundbreaking  
and Ground Blessing for Multi-generational Family***

**Fountain, CO** (October 7, 2017) – For husband and wife Jean and Nadia, finding affordable housing for their multi-generational family of five (soon to be six with a baby on the way!) is no easy task, even though they both work. Currently their mother lives with them, as well as their 16-year old nephew and 3-year old daughter. Space is tight in the 3-bedroom apartment where they live now, and that will shrink even more when they baby arrives. Recently selected for the Habitat program, they are excited to begin building a 4-bedroom home that they will purchase with an affordable mortgage.

Building costs average \$150,000 per house, and Habitat relies on sponsorships to cover at least half of the construction costs. This year, the Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity Board of Directors stepped in with a self-directed challenge to sponsor Jean and Nadia's house. Initiated by Treasurer Peter Scanlon, the Board has committed to collectively raise and/or contribute at least \$18,750/year with the goal and intention of funding half (\$37,500) of the \$75,000 sponsorship (half the construction costs) of a house every two years. Since the challenge kick-off in July of 2016, the Board has already raised/pledged over \$56,000!

The public is invited to attend the groundbreaking and ground blessing of this house:

**Event details:** 10:00 AM, Saturday, October 7, 2017.

**Location:** 218 Red Finch Lane, Fountain, CO.

**Directions from I-25:**

1. Take exit 132A and turn east on Mesa Ridge Pkwy.
2. Take the US 85 ramp and turn right (south) onto US-85 S.
3. Turn left onto Comanche Village Drive and take the first right onto El Paso Street.
4. Take the first right onto Bunting Avenue, and then the first left onto Red Finch Lane. House will be near the end of the cul-de-sac on the right-hand side.

**About Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity**

Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity builds affordable housing in El Paso County in partnership with the community and prospective homeowners. Partner families build their home alongside volunteers, and purchase their house with an affordable mortgage. Pikes Peak Habitat has been an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International since 1986 and has assisted 152 families achieve homeownership in El Paso County. For more information, visit [www.pikespeakhabitat.org](http://www.pikespeakhabitat.org).

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