



## NEWS RELEASE

### **Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity and Thrivent partner to help improve the lives of El Paso County families**

*Thrivent commits over \$12 million in 2018 to partnership with Habitat for Humanity across the U.S. and around the world*

**COLORADO SPRINGS, CO (January 29, 2018)** – Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity has been awarded \$75,000 from Thrivent as part of the more than 10-year national partnership between Habitat and Thrivent, which helps families achieve strength, stability and self-reliance through affordable housing.

Locally, the program will fund the construction of a home in Fountain, Colorado in 2018.

“Working in partnership with Habitat families to help them build or repair their homes is an inspiring experience,” said Nancy Albertson, a financial representative with Thrivent Financial. “I enjoy working alongside members -- who generously donate their time and talents -- to strengthen our community.”

Thrivent has committed \$12 million to the 2018 partnership, which will be used to partner with families and mobilize volunteers through three ways: Thrivent Builds Homes, Thrivent Builds Repairs and Thrivent Builds Worldwide trips.

- Thrivent Builds Homes improves communities by helping Habitat build homes in partnership with families in need of decent, affordable housing. In Fountain, Colorado, one home will be built this year.
- Thrivent Builds Repairs provides for the repair of existing homes in partnership with families who lack the resources or ability to make the repairs themselves.
- Thrivent Builds Worldwide allows Thrivent members and others to give financially and volunteer their time as they travel to international or domestic locations for a week or more at a time to build Habitat homes and experience other cultures.

Since the national partnership’s inception in 2005, and through 2017, Thrivent and its members have committed more than \$240 million and more than 5.2 million volunteer hours in the U.S. and around the world.

“The Thrivent Builds partnership is helping Pikes Peak Habitat increase the number of families served in our community by helping them become first-time homeowners,” said Kris Medina, Executive Director. “We are so grateful for Thrivent’s support of our efforts to build homes in partnership with families in need of permanent affordable housing. It’s a wonderful way to continue to strengthen, stabilize and move families closer to self-reliance.”

Thrivent remains the largest non-governmental supporter of Habitat for Humanity International.

For more information about Thrivent Builds programs, visit [Thriventbuilds.com](http://Thriventbuilds.com). To learn about local volunteer opportunities, visit [www.PikesPeakHabitat.org](http://www.PikesPeakHabitat.org)

#### **About Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity**

Pikes Peak Habitat (PPHFH) seeks to build strength, stability and self-reliance through shelter in the Pikes Peak Region. We build decent and affordable homes in partnership with the community and prospective homebuyers. Partner families purchase their homes with affordable mortgages. PPHFH has been an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International since 1986 and has assisted 152 families in El Paso County. For more information, visit [www.pikespeakhabitat.org](http://www.pikespeakhabitat.org) and follow us at [www.facebook.com/pikespeakhabitatforhumanity](http://www.facebook.com/pikespeakhabitatforhumanity) or at <https://twitter.com/pphabitat>.

#### **About Thrivent and Habitat for Humanity**

Thrivent has been a national partner of Habitat for Humanity since 2005. The partnership is designed to involve Thrivent members and other volunteers to improve communities by working alongside families in need of a decent place to live all across the U.S. and around the world. Together with its volunteers, Thrivent has constructed and repaired more than 4,800 homes in the U.S. and has sent over 1,200 build teams around the world. Thrivent remains the largest non-governmental supporter of Habitat for Humanity International. For more information, visit [ThriventBuilds.com](http://ThriventBuilds.com).

#### **About Thrivent**

Thrivent is a financial services organization that helps Christians be wise with money and live generously. As a membership organization, it offers its more than 2.3 million members a broad range of products, services and guidance from financial representatives nationwide. For more than a century it has helped members make wise money choices that reflect their values while providing them opportunities to demonstrate their generosity where they live, work and worship. For more information, visit [Thrivent.com/why](http://Thrivent.com/why). You can also find us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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