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Local Volunteers Honored by Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity

Colorado Springs, CO (April 6, 2018) – Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity (PPHFH) celebrated its volunteers last night at Tap Traders (3104 N. Nevada Avenue, Colorado Springs, Colorado, 80907) and announced the following winners:

- **The George Hammond Award** (new!)
This award was created by the PPHFH Board of Directors in April 2018 to honor the legacy, extraordinary service and outstanding contributions of *longtime volunteer George Hammond*. As a volunteer with PPHFH for 25 years, Mr. Hammond received the accolade in recognition of his tireless service to PPHFH, qualities of leadership, and unwavering belief in Habitat's ministry, as well as a deep devotion and passion to serve the community and people of El Paso County, Colorado. It is envisioned that this award will not be presented annually, but rather bestowed when a volunteer is identified for their significant and positive contributions to the mission of PPHFH that are very similar in nature to the spirit and reason why the original award was established.
- **Chris Brownlow Golden Hammer Award:** Tye Tutt
The individual who displays joyful and loving qualities on a consistent basis, to include: strong leadership, good attitude, and a servant spirit. This person believes in the philosophy of PPHFH both within and outside the organization.
- **Millard Fuller Award:** Peter Scanlon
The person who demonstrates leadership, going above and beyond the call of duty, and exemplifies asking others to get involved.
- **Linda Fuller Award:** Leonie Cramer
The person who completes outstanding work, exemplifies compassion and devotion for PPHFH's future homeowners during and after their path to homeownership.
- **Journeyman Award:** Roger Condie
The person who shows a long-term commitment to PPHFH and performs vital behind-the-scenes work for the affiliate. They are ready and willing to do whatever is needed to keep PPHFH running smoothly.
- **Construction Group of the Year Award:** IEC Southern Colorado (Independent Electrical Contractors)

- **ReStore Group of the Year Award:** USAFA Cadets
- **The President's Service Award** was also presented to individuals who achieved a prerequisite number of volunteer hours during 2017:

LIFETIME (10,000+ hours): George Hammond (10,000+)

GOLD (500+ hours in 1 year): John Chittenden (506), Nancy Matthews (541), George Hammond (564), Harry Moore (747.5)

SILVER (250-499 hours in 1 year): Suzanne Ballard (459) , Ruth Love (272.5), Frank Bernhard(307.5), Paul McSpadden (271.5), Steve Boyce (306.5), Barry Mullaine (455.5), John Comes (293.5), Phil Platt (386.5), Mike Gallagher (478.5), Robert Ray (295.5), Donald Kayon (264), and Cathy Youngsman (452)

BRONZE (100-249 hours in 1 year): Al Castinado (100), John Mack (116), Roger Condie (150), Ken Percival (102), Joe Dowdy (165), Bernie Redlinger (229.5), John Emmot (100), Robert Rose (190.5), Homer Brian Espravnik (216), Ed Santucci (233), George Fryer (215), Jean Savy (141), Timothy Grant (222), Ed Gass (190.5), Art Thorstensen (110.5), Laurel Thorstensen (110.5), and James Hogan (190)

Volunteers are a fundamental resource for PPHFH with 90% of each PPHFH house built by volunteers under construction staff supervision. In FY17, a total of 3,438 volunteers gave 34,868 hours in administrative assistance, construction of houses, board of directors, committee work, and retail help in the ReStore.

About Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity

Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity seeks to eliminate poverty housing in the Pikes Peak Region by building decent, affordable, permanent homes in partnership with the community and prospective homeowners. Partner families purchase their house with affordable fixed-term rate 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.

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