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## Media Release

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# "It will change my family's lives forever." Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity Dedicates Family's New Home

**Fountain, CO** (April 25, 2018) – Jamie lives with her two children, Jayden and Kadence, in a two-bedroom, transitional housing unit in a subsidized neighborhood. Their living quarters are tight, and there is dangerous activity within the neighborhood. Loud, obnoxious, and abusive gangs make threatening gestures or remarks to families in the area.

In search of affordable housing, Jamie applied to Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity. She successfully met the eligibility requirements -- the need for housing, the income qualifications, and the willingness to partner with Habitat. She has completed her homeownership education classes and has put in 350 hours building her new three-bedroom house in Fountain, Colorado.

"My children will have a stable home to grow up in, and we will still be in the same home when they graduate high school." Children of homeowners are 116% more likely to graduate from college. And families have more time to spend together, greater financial independence...and in turn they give back to our community. In fact, in 2018 Habitat homeowners paid \$90,000 in county property taxes.

The public is invited to attend the dedication of this house and meet Jamie and her family.

WHEN: 11:00 AM – 12:00 NOON, Saturday, April 28, 2018 WHERE: 827 Bunting Ave, 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, continue to the curve and the house will be on the right.

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

Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity (PPHFH) seeks to build strength, stability and self-reliance through shelter in the Pikes Peak Region. We build permanent, 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 <u>www.pikespeakhabitat.org</u> and follow us at www.facebook.com/pikespeakhabitatforhumanity or at https://twitter.com/pphabitat.