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Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity Celebrates Ground Blessing of New Community, "The Ridge at Sand Creek"

Colorado Springs, CO (November 24, 2020) – Construction is slated to begin soon on five houses, the start of a 30-lot project, and Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity (PPHFH) invites the public to join in the ground blessing celebration. This new community has been made possible by the extraordinary donation

of 30 developed lots to PPHFH by local nonprofit Love In Action, and will provide affordable homeownership opportunities for eligible low-income families to build homes with PPHFH and purchase them upon completion.

Five future homeowners have already been selected according to:

- Need for affordable housing, including but not limited to unsafe, overcrowded, and unhealthy conditions or unaffordable payments.
- Willingness to partner with Habitat. They are required to complete 200 hours of "sweat equity" and attend mandatory homebuyer classes.



Architect's depiction of a five-bedroom home in The Ridge at Sand Creek neighborhood

 Ability to make monthly mortgage payments upon purchasing their Habitat house with an affordable mortgage. Their income must be within 35%-80% of the area median income for El Paso County, and for a family of four, that's between \$28,560 and \$65,300 per year. Mortgage payments will not exceed 28% of the gross household income at time of sale.

Love In Action is a private operating foundation whose mission is the Great Commission. Partnering and working in collaboration with Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity maximizes the impact and mission of both organizations. Love In Action is grateful for the opportunity to participate in this housing project that will place deserving families in affordable quality housing.



The ground blessing ceremony will include a presentation by PPHFH Executive Director/CEO Kris Lewis Medina. Light refreshments will be served. Wearing facial coverings (masks) will be required, and capacity limits, social distancing, and sanitization guidelines will be followed.

EVENT DETAILS

WHERE: Corner of Babcock Road and Galley Road in Colorado Springs.

Google Maps directions found here.

DATE: Tuesday, November 24, 2020

TIME: 2:00 - 2:30 pm

About Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity

Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity (PPHFH) builds strength, stability and self-reliance through shelter in El Paso County. 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 180+ families in El Paso County. For more information, visit www.pikespeakhabitat.org and follow us at www.facebook.com/pikespeakhabitatforhumanity or at https://twitter.com/pphabitat.