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Volunteer Harry Moore Receives Habitat Award at "Micah's View" Ground Blessing

Fountain, CO (March 30, 2021) – Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity (PPHFH) broke ground March 6, 2021 on a new 3-lot development in Fountain, Colorado. Construction has begun on the first two houses, one of which has been dedicated as the "George Hammond Build" house. A surprise presentation of the award to longtime Habitat volunteer Harry Moore took place in December 2020 (video can be viewed here), with a formal presentation at today's ground blessing. The award was presented by fellow volunteer and namesake of the award, George Hammond. Video of the ground blessing event can be seen here: Fund for Humanity and George Hammond Build 2021 Ground Blessing



Harry Moore and wife Wanda in front of the foundation of the future "George Hammond Build" house

The award comes with the additional distinction of a PPHFH house built in honor of the recipient with materials and services donated from local companies and national Habitat partners.

Also present at the ground blessing were the two families selected for the homes.





Krystle and Christopher's home is the "George Hammond Build" house, while Dawn's house is sponsored by the Fund for Humanity. Monthly mortgage payments from Habitat homeowners go into the Fund for Humanity, as well as net proceeds from our ReStore, to build more affordable housing in El Paso County.

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 191 families in El Paso County. In addition to new construction, PPHFH also offers repairs for homeowners who are seniors (65 and up), veterans, and cost-burdened families. For more information, visit www.pikespeakhabitat.org and follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

About the George Hammond Build Award

This award was created by the PPHFH Board of Directors in April 2018 to honor the legacy of longtime volunteer George Hammond in recognition of his service to PPHFH, qualities of leadership, and belief in Habitat's ministry, as well as a deep devotion and passion to serve the community and people of El Paso County, Colorado. This award is not presented annually, but rather bestowed when a volunteer is identified for their significant and positive contributions to the mission of PPHFH. The first "George Hammond Build" house was completed in Fountain, Colorado in 2019 in honor of the award's namesake.

About the Fund for Humanity

The Fund for Humanity developed out of the concept of "partnership housing" centered on those in need of adequate shelter working side by side with volunteers to build decent, affordable houses. The houses were built at no profit. New homeowners' house payments would be combined with no-interest loans provided by supporters and money earned by fundraising, which would then be used to build more homes. Today, The Fund for Humanity refers to a collection of funding sources, including capital from loan sale programs, loan payoffs, monthly Habitat mortgage payments, unrestricted fundraising, and net proceeds from the ReStore.

About Micah's View

This PPHFH property in Fountain is named "Micah's View" in memory of Micah Tice, a U.S. Air Force Academy Preparatory School Cadet Candidate who, along with fellow Prep School cadet candidates, supported PPHFH's house construction in 2018. His service helped the Prep School garner the 2018 PPHFH Volunteer Team of the Year award.