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Family Celebrates First New House Dedication at Habitat for Humanity's "Micah's View" Development

WHAT:

On Saturday, June 26, 2021 Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity (PPHFH) will host a dedication celebration at Habitat's "Micah's View" property for Dawn and her son.

Dawn was born and raised in Fountain, Colorado and has two sons, Dillon and Cody. Dawn and Cody live in her childhood home that Dawn rents from her father. She works as a CNA in the region and cares for Cody, who has physical disabilities and needs full-time assistance. Their home's disrepair poses safety hazards for them, and the house doesn't accommodate Cody's needs. Now, as a future homeowner with Habitat, Dawn will finally have a safe, accessible, and affordable home.

"It's because of you guys that my dream is coming true," Dawn said, "and I'm going to be able to give my family stability that I don't have to worry about being taken away. And for that, we are totally grateful. I can't say thank you enough."

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.

The house for Dawn and Cody 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, capital from loan sale programs, loan payoffs, and unrestricted fundraising, to build more affordable housing in El Paso County.

WHO:

Kris Lewis Medina, Executive Director/CEO, Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity lain Probert, Director of Strategic Partnerships, Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity Janet Risley, Director of Homeowner Services, Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity Dawn, Future Habitat Homeowner

Peter Scanlon, Treasurer, Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity Board of Directors

WHEN: Saturday, June 26, 2021

10:00 - 11:00 am MST

WHERE: Micah's View at 201 W. Illinois Ave. Fountain, CO 80817

1. From I-25 take exit 128

- 2. From the off ramp, turn east on Santa Fe Ave
- 3. Continue on Santa Fe Ave to W Illinois Ave
- 4. Turn right onto W Illinois Ave
- 5. Micah's View will be on the left

As with all Habitat homeowners, the family must show (1) a need for affordable housing such as overcrowding, unhealthy or unsanitary conditions, unaffordable rent, unsafe neighborhood; (2) a willingness to partner with Habitat by completing homebuyer education (credit counseling; budgeting; estate planning; protecting assets; and more) as well as investing 200 "sweat equity" hours to build their house; and (3) the ability to purchase the house and pay the mortgage.

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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 older), veterans, and cost-burdened families. For more information, visit www.pikespeakhabitat.org and follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.