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**Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity partners with The Home Depot Foundation this summer to help local veterans**

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO [JULY 2, 2021] – Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity will work alongside four local veterans to improve their home through Habitat for Humanity’s Repair Corps. Funded by The Home Depot Foundation, Repair Corps has helped build or improve the homes and lives of over 1,000 U.S. military veterans and their family members through critical home repairs.

“The U.S. Census estimates that 84,343 veterans lived in El Paso County from 2016-2019,” said Kris Lewis Medina, Executive Director/CEO at PPHFH. “With The Home Depot Foundation’s help, we’re able to make a difference in the lives of four veterans and their families in El Paso County through Repair Corps.”

Since 2010 The Home Depot Foundation has partnered with PPHFH in building and repairing permanent, affordable housing for low-income families in El Paso County.

PPHFH is an official Veterans Build Affiliate with Habitat for Humanity International, and is proud to serve local veteran families through the Repairs Corps. We not only provide affordable and decent homes for men and women who have served, but we also join a larger voice advocating for the needs of our veterans and their families. We are committed to seeking more volunteer engagement from veteran groups as well as recruiting veterans for employment, internships, and other service opportunities.

The repairs for these four veterans will mostly include replacing roofs, windows, exterior doors, gutters, downspouts, fascia, and soffits; installing exterior stairs; and other minor repairs. All four houses are located within El Paso County.

This year, 50 local Habitat organizations are slated to build or repair at least 155 veteran households across the U.S. Four of those projects are planned for local veterans in El Paso County. In addition to hundreds of local Habitat organizations participating in Repair Corps, The Home Depot's associate

volunteer force, known as Team Depot, partners with their local Habitat organizations to build alongside veteran homeowners.

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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. PPFH 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, PPFH also offers repairs for homeowners who are seniors (65 and older), veterans, and cost-burdened families. To learn more about our Veterans Build, please visit <https://pikespeakhabitat.org/veteranbuild>. For more about PPFH, visit [www.pikespeakhabitat.org](http://www.pikespeakhabitat.org). Find us on social media at [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) and [YouTube](#).

### **About The Home Depot Foundation**

[The Home Depot Foundation](#) works to improve the homes and lives of U.S. veterans, train skilled tradespeople to fill the labor gap and support communities impacted by natural disasters. Since 2011, the Foundation has invested more than \$375 million in veteran causes and improved more than 50,000 veteran homes and facilities. The Foundation has pledged to invest half of a billion dollars in veteran causes by 2025 and \$50 million in training the next generation of skilled tradespeople through the Path to Pro program.

To learn more about The Home Depot Foundation visit [HomeDepotFoundation.org](http://HomeDepotFoundation.org) and follow us on [Twitter](#) @HomeDepotFound and on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) @HomeDepotFoundation.