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***Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity Celebrates Home Dedication for Woman Recovering from COVID-19***

*Affordable homeownership gives Judith peace of mind to focus on her health*

**WHAT:** On Saturday, September 24, 2022, Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity (PPHFH) will host a home dedication celebration in “The Ridge at Sand Creek” neighborhood for Judith’s family. The public is welcome to attend.



*Judith with her dog Nala*

The apartment where Judith lived had mold in the bathroom, poor heat in the second bedroom that she used as a work-from-home office, a stove that didn’t work properly, and the property was not maintained well. It was a high crime area where shootings and police activity happened weekly.

In November of 2021, Judith became ill with COVID-19 and was hospitalized. Once she returned home and felt well enough to be active again, she began working on her Habitat home. She fulfilled her 200 “sweat equity” hours by working with the Habitat construction crew and volunteers, as well as helping in the PPHFH business office. Now that her home is finished, Judith can move in soon to a safe and healthy environment.

The keys to the new house will be presented to Judith, and attendees will have an opportunity to view her home.

**WHO:** Janet Risley, PPHFH Director of Homeowner Programs  
Judith, Future Habitat Homeowner

**WHEN:** Saturday, September 24, 2022  
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

**WHERE:** [892 Bidwell Dr, Colorado Springs CO 80915](#)

1. Take Galley Rd east crossing over N Academy Blvd
2. Continue east on Galley Rd, crossing N Murray Blvd and Wooten Rd
3. At the intersection of Babcock Rd and Galley Rd, turn right on Babcock Rd. “The Ridge at Sand Creek” will be on your left.
4. Make your first left on Bidwell Dr
5. 892 Bidwell Dr is near the Habitat trailer

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