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Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity Announces 2024-25 Board of Directors Leadership and Additions

New Members Have Served with International Award-Winning Interfaith Program

Colorado Springs, CO (June 10, 2024)—At their June meeting, the Pikes Peak Habitat Board of Directors elected officers for Fiscal Year 2025, which begins July 1, and voted to approve three new members.

Eric Stolp, Engagement Specialist at Thrivent, begins his second year as President. Joe DesJardin, Director of Entitlements at ProTerra Properties, will continue as Vice President. Robert Giunta, Customer Advisory Center Manager at U.S. Bank, remains in the role of Treasurer. Tim Trowbridge, recipient of Pikes Peak Habitat's 3rd George Hammond Award for an outstanding volunteer, will serve as Secretary. Trowbridge also participates on the Habitat for Humanity Colorado Advocacy Committee and the Habitat for Humanity International U.S. Policy Committee of the U.S. Council.

In addition, three new members joined the board: Jeff Ader, Feda Jodeh, and Stephanie Sparks. All three also serve on Pikes Peak Habitat's <u>Interfaith Build for Unity</u> (IBU) subcommittee and contributed to the interfaith program's February 2024 initiative, which <u>won second place</u> in the international H.M. King Abdullah II U.N. World Interfaith Harmony Week Prize competition.

Ader, a retired educator, serves as President of Temple Beit Torah and is a founding member of the Pikes Peak Interfaith Coalition, where he also sits on the Board of Directors. In addition, he serves on the Colorado Springs Police Department's Community Leaders Advisory Committee and Faith Leaders Advisory Committee. He is the owner and chief instructor of All Okinawa Karate and Kobudo. Ader chairs Pikes Peak Habitat's IBU subcommittee.

Jodeh is a member of the Islamic Society of Colorado Springs and a board member of the Pikes Peak Interfaith Coalition. She also has participated with Family Promise/Interfaith Family Hospitality Network, the Penrose St. Francis Health Services Clergy Program, Lutheran Family Services, and the Colorado Muslim Leadership Council. She holds a master's degree from the University of Colorado in corporate communications.

Sparks has worked for nonprofit organizations in sub-Saharan Africa, central Asia, and Southeast Asia. Most recently, she served in an executive leadership position for Mercy Ships before leaving to start a nonprofit consulting business. She holds a bachelor's degree in international affairs from the University of Colorado and a Master of Science in poverty reduction, policy, and practice from the University of London. She also serves on the outreach committee at Grace & St. Stephen's Episcopal Church.

They join the following other board members:

Paul Hasty, Tint Technologies, President Janna Mulder, Broadmoor Bluffs Realty, Real Estate Broker Tye Tutt, Tutt Service Enterprise LLC, Owner and President Candy Vandenberg, Ent Credit Union, Business Banker Bill Wall, Vision Trust Communications, Media Consultant David C. Warner, Academy Bank, Senior Vice President

Board members are limited to three consecutive two-year terms of service. Meetings are held bi-monthly on the first Monday.

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About Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity

Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity builds strength, stability, and self-reliance through shelter in El Paso County. We construct permanent, affordable homes in partnership with the community and prospective homebuyers, who purchase their homes with affordable mortgages. In addition, our home repair program works with seniors, veterans, and other cost-burdened homeowners in El Paso County, who "pay it forward" by serving their communities. Pikes Peak Habitat has been an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International since 1986 and has partnered with more than 235 families in El Paso County. For more information, visit http://www.pikespeakhabitat.org and follow us on Facebook, Instagram and YouTube.