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First home built in the Habitat for Humanity of Greater Sioux Falls Master's Annex will be moved to the lot Wednesday

The sponsor, partner family, Habitat leadership, volunteers and local pastor will join the celebration

SIOUX FALLS, SD (August 8, 2016) – There's nothing like a house move - police escort, meticulous calculations maneuvering around parked cars, an anxious partner family, and excited volunteers! We will watch the first ever Habitat house built indoors get moved this Wednesday at 9 am. To celebrate, we are hosting a special ceremony at 8:30 am at Habitat Sioux Falls.

The Thrivent Builds home was started in March as our first indoor build. Throughout the spring and summer, volunteer groups from Voyage Federal Credit Union, East Jordan United Methodist Church, and A&B Business Solutions worked hard to get it done. Women Build Day 2016 volunteers erected the walls on this home. As a house, it has seen many special moments and events, including the partner family mom, Kebele, working with her daughters on Women Build Day.

We view a home as a living and breathing, bending and giving member of the family that holds and protects. People fall in the love with their homes. Watching this home roll out of the Annex, after being blessed and prayed over, after the sponsor and partner family share a few words, will be moving in and of itself. We hope you can join us.

Wednesday, August 10 8:30 am 721 E Amidon St at the Habitat Sioux Falls Master's Annex

We aim to put God's love into action, bringing people together to build homes, communities and hope. Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit housing organization whose mission is to build safe and affordable homes for those-in-need in the community, and to eradicate substandard housing worldwide. We accomplish this through volunteer labor and sponsorship dollars! To volunteer, contact Leanne Williams at 605-274-6292 or volunteer@siouxfallshabitat.org. To donate, contact Patty Brooks at 605-274-6280 or info@siouxfallshabitat.org.

About Habitat for Humanity of Greater Sioux Falls

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Sioux Falls builds houses in partnership with volunteers and people in need. Habitat Sioux Falls then sells the homes to those people in need, known as partner families. Partner families are selected by Habitat based on 1) their need for housing, 2) their willingness to partner with Habitat, 3) and the ability to pay a mortgage. Since its inception in 1989, Habitat Sioux Falls has built or rehabilitated 139 houses with low-income families, providing 213 adults and 548 children with simple, decent, affordable shelter. Habitat Sioux Falls has completed 116 critical home repair and A Brush with Kindness projects since 2010. Sales of donated home building and home goods at the Habitat Sioux Falls ReStore enable the affiliate to build an additional two homes a year, as well as keep over 300 tons of reusable material out of the landfill. For more information, to donate or volunteer, please visit <u>siouxfallshabitat.org</u> or follow us on <u>facebook.com/SiouxFallsHabitat</u>.

About Habitat for Humanity International

Driven by the vision that everyone needs a decent place to live, Habitat for Humanity has grown from a grassroots effort that began on a community farm in southern Georgia in 1976 to a global nonprofit housing organization in nearly 1,400 communities across the U.S. and in over 70 countries. People partner with Habitat for Humanity to build or improve a place they can call home. Habitat homeowners help build their own homes alongside volunteers and pay an affordable mortgage. Through financial support, volunteering or adding a voice to support affordable housing, everyone can help families achieve the strength, stability and self-reliance they need to build better lives for themselves. Through shelter, we empower. To learn more, visit <u>habitat.org</u>.

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