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Kevin Moore Receives Keys to His New Habitat for Humanity Home

This home marks the 80th house Habitat for Humanity has completed in Sangamon County

Kevin Moore may not be able to see his new Habitat home, but that has not stopped him from experiencing the dream of homeownership. Kevin is legally blind and suffers from Retinitis Pigmentosa (RP), but his passion for building his new home is seen by all who have worked side by side with Kevin on constructing his home with Habitat for Humanity of Sangamon County.

Kevin will move into his completed home on Tuesday, October 26. "I never thought I would be able to own my own home," said Moore. "I am happy it has all come together."

Volunteers, family members and friends have been working diligently to build this home with Kevin, and Kevin has been an active part of the process. "Having my own house is something I have been wanting my whole life. I tried by myself for years to build a house and it hadn't happened," recalled Moore. "But when I partnered with Habitat it all came together, I am really happy."

Wells Fargo Home Mortgage Foundation was a lead partner supporting the construction of this home. "Habitat for Humanity is proud to partner with Kevin, local businesses, churches and volunteers to increase the number of decent, affordable houses in Sangamon County," said Sarah Mackey, executive director of Habitat for Humanity of Sangamon County. "Together, we are helping individuals, such as Kevin, escape from unsafe, unhealthy living conditions."

Habitat for Humanity helps families and individuals break the cycle of poverty and build long-term financial security. Habitat's affordable, no-profit house payments free up money for food, child care, medicine and other necessities. And research has shown that decent housing improves health, increases children's educational achievement and strengthens community ties.

Habitat for Humanity of Sangamon County is a community-driven nonprofit organization that develops working partnerships with local businesses, churches, community organizations and other individuals to build simple, decent and affordable housing for all people in need. Since its founding in 1989, Habitat for Humanity of Sangamon County has completed 80 houses in Sangamon County, served over 300 individuals in Sangamon County and served 73 international families. For more information or to join the efforts to eliminate poverty housing, visit habitatsangamon.com or call 217.523.2710.

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