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## Kendra Cutler is soon to move into a place to call her own with Habitat's Help and The Unity Build volunteers and sponsors

Join Habitat House #115 Dedication Celebration November 10, 2021 5:00pm 2037 E. Cedar, Springfield

Thanks to First Presbyterian Church, Westminster Presbyterian Chuch, St. John's Lutheran Church, Douglas United Methodist Church, Springfield First United Methodist Church, Temple Isreal, Harish Bhatt, Steve Koch, Ameriprise Financial, Mike and Jean Pennell, Catholic Diocese of Springfield, IL and partnering with Third Presbyterian Church, NAACP, CORAL and Habitat volunteers who spent the last six months building, Kendra Cutler is about to realize a life-long dream – owning a simple, decent home that will provide long-term stability for her and her daughter. Habitat for Humanity of Sangamon County (HFHSC) invites you to share in the joy of this achievement at the Dedication Celebration Wednesday November 10, 2021, starting 5 pm. Weather permitting, this in person event will take place outdoors to accommodate COVID-19 restrictions. Masks are requested at the event.

Kendra has had a dream of owning a home for more than two years and has been working hard to save money and prepare herself for the responsibility. Building a home, utilizing volunteers during a pandemic has not been without challenges, but in the end WE DID IT! "Our Habitat volunteers, donors and community partners are what make building houses and hope a reality," said Colleen Stone, HFHSC Executive Director. "Their willingness to lend a hand up through simple, decent, affordable housing is providing long-term strength and stability for Kendra's family, her neighborhood and our community. "

Habitat homes are not given away for free. Kendra will pay a zero percent interest mortgage (provided by Habitat), property taxes and homeowners insurance. This zero-interest, affordable mortgage is invested back into Habitat's program to build more homes. In addition, prior to building, Partner Families in Habitat's Homeownership Program take classes on topics that include budgeting, taxes and home maintenance and also invest hundreds of "sweat equity" hours.

For more information about the Dedication Celebration on November 10th or to learn more about opportunities to help Habitat build, visit <a href="http://www.habitatsangamon.com">http://www.habitatsangamon.com</a> or call 217.523.2710. Habitat for Humanity is currently recruiting volunteers for Habitat projects in Sangamon County.

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