

HOUSTON HABITAT DEDICATES 4 HOMES IN HARREL PARK

Wells Fargo House Dedication 4/10/2014 - 8331 Laura Koppe, 77028 - Harrel Park



The Linares Family	The Harris Family	The Hamilton Family	The Brown Family
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HOUSTON (April 11, 2014) – Volunteers and supporters from several of our sponsors joined together Thursday April 10th to dedicate the homes they built alongside Houston Habitat for Humanity and their Family Partners. Four families were congratulated and celebrated as they embark on a new chapter in their lives.

The Linares Family was excited about moving into a neighborhood where she already knows her neighbors and look out for each other. Tom Debesse, a Regional Area President at Wells Fargo, remarked on his experience working with the family and talking to Maria Linares’ sons. They had already picked out their rooms and were excited to tell Debase their plans. Homeowner Maria Linares thanked Wells Fargo for treating her like family.

“I have been hit with roadblock after roadblock and have detoured so many times that the main road isn’t in sight anymore.” Patience Harris wrote in her application. Homeownership was a transformation for her. She gave a moving testimonial about overcoming obstacles of a debilitating illness and keeping her faith in God. The Harris Family build was made possible the generosity of Anheuser Busch, Boardwalk Pipeline, and High Mount.

Frankie Hamilton humbly relayed their appreciation to Houston Habitat, and her sponsor volunteers from BG for helping to make theirs a place to call home. “I was not able to own a home that my children were able to grow up in, but I want to be prepared for my grandchildren... I want them to be able to say ‘we’re going to grandma’s house’ and that house be the same one they go to for years to come.”

The Brown Family, sponsored by First Baptist Church, expressed their gratitude to everyone who had a hand in helping build her home. Demetrise Brown, who had two daughters of her own, took custody of two small girls of a relative, and is raising all four together. “Having this home would give my children and I something to cherish.”



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Thursday's dedication is a reminder of the hard work and perseverance that goes into each home build by sponsors, volunteers and the Family Partners themselves.

Houston Habitat's energy efficient homes, located in northeast Houston in the Harrel Park subdivision, will allow the families to realize their dreams of homeownership, stability and a legacy to pass on.

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Houston Habitat for Humanity, with thousands of sponsors and volunteers, has built over 950 homes for hard-working, low-income Houstonians. Habitat Partner Families contribute 300 hours of "sweat equity" and complete training on home ownership to purchase homes at cost with zero-interest mortgages. For more information about Houston Habitat for Humanity, and the Houston Habitat ReStore – a nonprofit home improvement store and donation center open to the public, visit www.houstonhabitat.org, or call 713-671-9993.

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