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Family of 8 receives keys to new Habitat for Humanity home

YAKIMA - July 31, 2018 — Yakima Valley Partners Habitat for Humanity will celebrate the construction completion of its 178th home build project at a 4:00 p.m. dedication ceremony, this Thursday, July 31, at 1398 Ashbrooks Way, Tieton WA. The new homeowner, Maria E. Coronado, will be thanking all those who worked so hard to help her family reach their home ownership dream.

After her home construction completion and investing over 500 sweat equity work hours on her home as a requirement for becoming Habitat's homeowner partners, Isabel Garcia, Executive Director, will be presenting the Coronado family the keys to their new home and a Bible.

"I feel blessed and shocked about my mortgage payment being less than my current rent. The time and effort in completing our sweat equity hours into our home was well worth it!" stated Maria Coronado

At the end of the ceremony, Maria will be inviting friends of Habitat, supporters, volunteers, neighbors and community members for a tour of the home, lunch and cake to celebrate.

"Habitat's mission is God's love into action, by building homes together to improve the quality of life of the families we serve. A safe, affordable home is the foundation of infinite possibilities and dreams for our children" stated Isabel Garcia, Executive Director.

Habitat is thankful to its multiple partners for their fund contribution and partnership that made this home build possible including USDA Rural Development, FHLB Home Starts Program, Yakima Federal Savings & Loan, Domex Superfresh Growers, City of Tieton and Grocery Outlet. Huge thanks to our site supervisors, Bruce, Curtis, David and Danny our numerous volunteers, Build Groups from near and far, and an infinite number of community members who helped build the Coronado home. We are grateful for your helping hands! .

About Yakima Valley Partners Habitat for Humanity:

Celebrating 34 years of changing lives, neighborhoods and communities in Yakima County and 178 homes built.

Yakima Valley Partners Habitat for Humanity is dedicated to ending substandard housing and building strong communities in Yakima County. We are a non-profit, ecumenical Christian housing ministry that builds safe, affordable, and quality homes in partnership with families who earn 30% to 80% of the median income for Yakima County. Families are required to contribute 500 hours of “sweat equity” helping to build their home, other partner family homes, or working in other area of our organization.

Yakima Valley Partners Habitat for Humanity, was founded in 1985 by Fred and Pam Bauman being the first affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International in the State of Washington.

About Habitat for Humanity International

Driven by the vision that everyone needs a decent place to live, Habitat for Humanity began in 1976 as a grassroots effort on a community farm in southern Georgia. The Christian housing organization has since grown to become a leading global nonprofit working in nearly 1,400 communities throughout the U.S. and in nearly 70 countries. Families and individuals in need of a hand up 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 habitat.org.

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