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12 Deserving Families Receive Habitat Homes

Habitat for Humanity of Montgomery County commemorates the completion of its Burtonsville Project with a dedication ceremony

BURTONSVILE, MD (October 2, 2008) - On October 26, 2008 Habitat for Humanity of Montgomery County (HfH-MC) will commemorate the completion of 12 new homes as well as its largest project in 26 years with a dedication ceremony. Habitat for Humanity representatives will be on hand to answer questions from the community about the Linganore Woods development and will provide home tours after the ceremony. County officials, volunteers, community members, and corporate sponsors are also expected to attend this landmark event.

“The dedication of a Habitat home marks an exciting milestone for Habitat homeowners and their families as they anticipate taking ownership of their new homes. It is an opportunity for the Habitat community to come together and celebrate the accomplishments and contributions of the homeowners, volunteers, donors and community members. We will gather at the home dedication ceremony to bless the new homes and wish each homeowner and their family the best of luck in their new home” said Jessica Reid, Director of Volunteer and Family Services.

Homeowners and their families will begin to move into their new homes in December. For many children, this will be the first time they will have their own bedroom, rather than having to share with their parents. For many children, it will be the first time they won't have to worry about unsafe and unsanitary conditions inside in addition to dangerous streets and neighborhoods outside. It is truly the beginning of a new life for each family.

To date over 1,700 volunteers have contributed approximately 14,000 hours to the construction of the 24 townhome Linganore Woods Community. The completion of these homes brings the total number of Habitat homes in Montgomery County to 43 and marks the completion of HfH-MC's largest multi family development.

About Habitat for Humanity

HfH-MC is an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International; its goal is to reduce substandard housing by providing a **hand up** rather than a **hand out** to help low-income families realize the dream of homeownership.

The completion of the Linganore Woods Community will mark a new beginning for HfH-MC and our role to address the need for simple, decent affordable housing right here in Montgomery County! We hope that this beginning will help us to realize our vision of creating "a community with healthy, safe, and affordable housing for all"

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This event is free and open to the media. For more information or directions, please call 301-990-0014

Details of the event are as follows:

Habitat for Humanity of Montgomery County
Linganore Woods Home Dedication Ceremony

Sunday, October 26, 2008

4:00 to 5:00 pm

Burtonsville, MD

(Townhome property is located off of Greencastle Rd. and Wexhall Dr.)

14605 Kinderhook Terrace, Burtonsville, MD 20866

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