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**Habitat
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*THANK YOU so much for your support of Columbia County Habitat for Humanity!
We wanted to share with you how your support has been demonstrating God's
love through real examples of helping people!*

Meet Our New Partner Family

Dre is a single Mom, with a big heart. She has two children: Oscar and Lucy. She is also the stepmother to 3 other kids who she loves like her own. Dre is a Permits Specialist for an Arborist. The family loves hiking, camping, and spending time together in the great outdoors.

Dre and her family moved in with her mom a couple years ago to help take care of her dad who was battling cancer. Since his passing, the family has faced a number of challenges that have made it difficult to establish an independent home. Throughout all this Dre has discovered great inner strength.

Once selected, the family immediately dove into their required Sweat Equity requirements and you can frequently find Dre at the construction site pounding nails and lifting boards! They feel so blessed for this opportunity, to grow together in a stable, safe, happy home.

Now that we have power installed on site, our milestone Wall Raising ceremony is just around the corner. With the flooring foundation completed we will begin framing soon. Let us know if you'd like to stay in the loop with weekly construction updates: info@habitatcolumbiacounty.org



Bill Jauron

Bill Jauron was on the Board of Directors when CCHFH built the first Habitat home. At the time he was working long hours and still found time to help on the build site. Bill used his considerable construction skills to work on the first ten Habitat homes and many of the access ramps even after his ALS diagnosis.

Pictured left, Bill helps build a ramp for young man with ALS. He was an inspiration to many around him.

Bill lost his fight with ALS on Nov. 25, 2021. We are so thankful to Bill Jauron for sharing his life with CCHFH and for his service to this organization. Many families are homeowners today thanks to his generosity. We will miss him so much, thank you Bill!

A New Opportunity

Affordable homeownership often allows a family to stop worrying about basic needs and start planning for the future. We are happy for our eighth homeowner who pursued higher education and now is able to afford a larger home. This buyback provided a unique opportunity to work with another family in pursuing stable, affordable housing in Columbia County.

Kris and Jaycob were selected as the partner family for this home. Kristine has spent a majority of her years providing care for others in the Developmentally Disabled community while raising her 3 boys as a single mom. Her youngest son Jaycob was born needing lots of medical attention. At age 22 he is a thriving young adult who is very social, enjoys movies, music, soaking in his therapeutic hot tub and volunteering for theater at St. Helens High School. They both feel thankful and excited to be a part of the Habitat family.



Access Ramp in Rainier

Charlotte called us in September when she was having difficulty getting into her home using the stairs. Although building a ramp on the side of the house seemed the best solution, it would have been a real financial burden for her.

Our Habitat volunteers generously sacrificed one of the few sunny Saturdays we had this past fall to complete the build in a single day! We are so grateful to Dick, Bob and Matt for stepping up to this worthy project. Charlotte is very appreciative and thankful for what this ramp means to her independence.

We have just received grants from TCC Verizon and The Home Depot Foundation to be used towards ramp construction. Do you know a low-income Columbia County homeowner in need of a ramp project? Please contact us! Our applications are also available online: habitatcolumbiacounty.org/ramps-repairs



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