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## For Immediate Release

## Habitat for Humanity Grey Bruce Hosts a "Welcome Home" Celebration for a Family in Wiarton

**OWEN SOUND, ON** September 6, 2024 – On August 29, 2024, Habitat for Humanity Grey Bruce held a "Welcome Home" celebration for Don and Angie and their 2 children who are purchasing a home in Wiarton from Habitat for Humanity. During the celebration, Angie expressed her gratitude to friends, family, and Habitat for Humanity:

"We wanted to share our genuine gratitude to every single one of you and to all of our family and friends that helped for all of their hard work on the house and to making sure that it was done for us in time. We are so incredibly thankful that Lucas gets to continue his education with familiar faces and that we are so close to the school in case of an emergency and that Aubree gets to join him there this year."

The house, built by Habitat in 2009, was purchased earlier this year from Alan and Kim, the first homeowners who have successfully "graduated" from Habitat's affordable homeownership program. Through Habitat's program Alan and Kim were able to purchase their home and gain financial stability while raising their son.

Families in need of affordable housing qualify for Habitat's homeownership program by completing an extensive application process. Habitat finances the purchase of the houses they build with a zero down payment and zero interest mortgage and payments set at 25% of household income, making the purchase of these homes both attainable and affordable. Monthly mortgage payments to Habitat will help fund the construction of new homes for other families in need of affordable housing.

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## **About Habitat for Humanity Grey Bruce**

People in our community and all over the world 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 purchase their home with a no-down payment, no-interest mortgage with payments set at 25% of their income. Not only does this provide affordable housing for families in need, it also enables them to build assets, reduce their dependence on other forms of social assistance and contribute to the community through paying property taxes.

As an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity Canada, Habitat for Humanity Grey Bruce has built 76 homes, serving 137 adults and 211 children since 1987. With our help, Habitat homeowners are given the opportunity to thrive, enabling them to build a better life for themselves and their children.

To learn more about how you can help create a world where everyone has a safe and decent place to live visit our website habitatgreybruce.ca.