

Habitat for Humanity Now Serving Wright County

Mason City, IA: Habitat for Humanity North Central Iowa announces that it will now be serving Wright County, bringing its coverage area to six counties total (Cerro Gordo, Franklin, Hancock, Winnebago, Worth and Wright). Preliminary plans are underway to select a partner family, secure a lot, and raise funds to build Wright County's first Habitat home in Belmond. The North Central Iowa Habitat affiliate was approached by interested employees of Eaton Corporation, as well as various other community members, who are eager to be involved with the process of providing a home for an area family in need.

"We are very excited about building the first Habitat home in Wright County," says Kevin Bock, employee of Eaton Corporation and volunteer Project Coordinator. "We have received very positive responses from those in the community that we have talked with so far. This will be a great community project and will lay the foundation for more Habitat possibilities for Wright County in the coming years."

Habitat for Humanity builds simple, decent, and affordable homes for low-income families. Each family purchases their home from Habitat with a 1% down payment and a 0% interest loan. Adults in the family are each required to give 250 hours of "sweat equity" by working with volunteers on the construction of other Partner Families' homes, in addition to their own. To qualify, each family must have a need for improved housing and have a total income that does not exceed 60% of the median income of the region.

Interested community members can request applications to apply for the home, or can find out how to be involved as a volunteer or donor by calling (515) 571-3044 in Belmond or the Habitat main office at (641) 424-8978. Volunteers will be needed in many different areas, such as fundraising, construction, and providing food for volunteers.

About Habitat for Humanity of North Central Iowa

Habitat for Humanity is a not-for-profit ecumenical, Christian housing ministry that utilizes volunteer labor and donations to build simple, decent, affordable houses for families who would otherwise be unable to afford home ownership. The homes are sold to qualified families with 1% down and 0 % interest loans.

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