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## Greater Matthews Habitat for Humanity hosting dedication for their 116<sup>th</sup> home, completing their Weddington Rd. neighborhood

**Matthews, NC (March 23rd, 2023)** – On Thursday, April 6th at 6 pm, Greater Matthews Habitat for Humanity (GMHFH) will dedicate their 116<sup>th</sup> home in the Greater Matthews community – celebrating the hard work of future homeowner, Lissa, and the dedication and generosity of the home sponsors and volunteers. Members of the community are encouraged to attend the celebration in-person, or virtually via Facebook Live.

Partnering with Wells Fargo, Piemdont Natural Gas, the Bank of America Charitable Foundation, Atrium Health, Publix Super Markets Charities, and many other community and religious partners, this house will be the fourth and final home in GMHFH's Weddington Road neighborhood. Volunteers from many organizations donated their time to help build the home.

Lissa was selected as a GMHFH partner based on her fulfilling the four GMHFH qualifications for their Homeownership program: need for decent housing, her ability to pay back an affordable mortgage, willingness to partner, and residency in Matthews, Mint Hill, or Stallings. As a GMHFH partner, she will be purchasing her home for the appraised value with an interest-free mortgage and, in lieu of a down payment, has volunteered over 250 hours in the construction of her home and in the GMHFH ReStore.

The ceremony will be held at 3508 Weddington Rd. in Matthews and will include coffee and light refreshments, as well as the opportunity to tour the inside of the home. It will also be streamed via Facebook live for those unable to attend in person.

## **About Greater Matthews Habitat for Humanity**

Since 1989, Greater Matthews Habitat for Humanity has addressed the lack of affordable housing in our area by providing decent homes with an affordable mortgage to help lower-income families obtain self-sufficiency and break the cycle of poverty. Habitat partner families help build their home alongside volunteers and make regular mortgage payments. Through financial support, volunteering or adding a voice to support affordable housing, you can help families achieve the strength, stability and self-reliance that they need to build better lives for themselves. Through shelter, we empower. To learn more, please visit www.greatermatthewshabitat.org.