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### **Greater Matthews Habitat for Humanity Breaking Ground on their fall build**

**Matthews, NC (August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022)** – Greater Matthews Habitat for Humanity (GMHFH) will be hosting a Groundbreaking Ceremony for their fall build on Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 10am. The ceremony will celebrate the future homeowner, Lissa, and will kick off construction for this year’s affordable home. This will be the 116<sup>th</sup> affordable home that GMHFH has built in the Greater Matthews community and the final home in their Weddington Rd. development.

The event will be held at 3508 Weddington Rd. in Matthews and is open to the community. The ceremony will also be streamed on GMHFH’s facebook live feed.

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, will volunteer over 250 hours of “sweat-equity” in the construction of her home and in the GMHFH ReStore.

To cover the financial costs of the home’s construction, GMHFH is looking to partner with local corporate, faith, and civic groups to serve as sponsors on this home. If you would like more information about becoming a community partner, please reach out to Sarah Galligan, Director of Development, at [sarah@habitatmatthews.org](mailto:sarah@habitatmatthews.org)

#### **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 limited-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](http://www.greatermatthewshabitat.org).

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