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Four families receive keys to their Habitat for Humanity homes – only four homes left in 16 home Habitat development.

FORT SASKATCHEWAN (Oct. 18, 2018) – Four local families had been working hard over the past year and a half to earn the keys to their new Habitat homes. The families each put in 500 hours of sweat equity and will be paying an interest-free mortgage to Habitat with payments no more than 25 percent of their household income. The Habitat mortgage affords the families more disposable income for building a brighter future for their children.

“It’s encouraging to see how the community has rallied around this project,” said Karen Stone, President & CEO, Habitat for Humanity Edmonton. “Each family is now in a position to build equity with each mortgage payment they make. They no longer need to decide between paying the rent and buying winter clothing for their children. This is a huge win for the community as a whole.”

The Government of Alberta began partnering with Habitat in 2006 and continues to work toward a province where everyone has a safe and decent place to call home.

“I am proud of our government’s support for the Habitat for Humanity Carter Build,” said the Honourable Lori Sigurdson, Minister of Seniors and Housing. “Providing safe, affordable housing for those who need it is part of creating an economy that works for everyone. To the four families who are moving in today: welcome home.”

The City of Fort Saskatchewan has 25 Habitat homes serving families in the community.

“It’s a pleasure to celebrate the dedication of four more homes from the Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter Habitat for Humanity build,” said Mayor Gale Katchur, City of Fort Saskatchewan. “On behalf of the community, it is truly a joy to see so many more people getting the hand up that they need and deserve.”

Habitat for Humanity thanks everyone involved in helping families gain access to affordable home ownership. The key presenters for these homes were Canadian Tire, Shell Canada, REALTORS[®] Community Foundation, and ladies who participated in Habitat’s 2018 Women Build.

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About Habitat for Humanity Edmonton

Founded in 1991, Habitat for Humanity Edmonton is the largest Habitat for Humanity affiliate in Canada. We are working towards a world where everyone has a safe and decent place to live. Our mission is to mobilize volunteers and community partners in building affordable housing and promoting home ownership as a means to breaking the cycle of poverty. Visit HFH.org for more information.