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Six families celebrate newfound home ownership of Habitat for Humanity homes built during the 2017 Jimmy & Rosalynn Carter Work Project.

FORT SASKATCHEWAN (Dec. 14, 2017) – Six local families were delighted to receive keys to their new Habitat homes in Fort Saskatchewan. The homes were constructed as part of the 2017 Jimmy & Rosalynn Carter Work Project, a weeklong summer event that saw 75 homes under construction in the Edmonton area and another 75 across Canada. The new homeowner families have built their homes alongside local and international volunteers over the summer and into the fall.

“We have been building 16 homes in the Fort and we’re very proud that six families have their new homes before the holidays,” said Alfred Nikolai, President & CEO, Habitat for Humanity Edmonton. “There has been a lot of energy at this build site and it’s evidenced in part by the completed homes, but more so by the faces of parents, children, and the volunteers and donors who have made this build happen. It’s a good day to be part of Habitat.”

The Government of Alberta continues to address the issue of access to affordable home ownership. They have partnered with Habitat to make these Fort Saskatchewan homes a reality.

“Our government is grateful to invest in this important project that is making life better for Albertans,” said the Honourable Lori Sigurdson, Minister of Seniors and Housing. “We share Habitat for Humanity’s belief that everyone should have a safe and affordable place to call home. Thank you to all the volunteers, sponsors, and staff who contributed to this transformative initiative.”

There are now 18 completed Habitat homes in the community of Fort Saskatchewan that are giving a much needed boost to local families. The City of Fort Saskatchewan has displayed leadership in affordable housing accessibility by supporting the Habitat project.

“It’s wonderful to see these families moving into their new homes after months of hard work,” said Mayor Gale Katchur, City of Fort Saskatchewan. “These Carter Project homes are a great news story not only for these families, but also for the City of Fort Saskatchewan and other local families who may soon get their own hand up. It was a joy to work on these homes, and we thank Habitat for Humanity for seeing a future in our community.”

Habitat Edmonton thanks everyone involved in helping local families achieve strength, stability, and independence through affordable home ownership. The key presenters of these six homes were Dow Chemical Canada, Schneider Electric, CGC, Hunter Douglas, Owens Corning, and The Home Depot.

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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.