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## **Family home for the holidays thanks to Tristate Signature Homes and Habitat for Humanity!**

**Leduc, AB** – The holiday spirit was in the air as Karen and her two children (Gavin and Danielle) celebrated their new home ownership inside a beautiful home made possible by Tristate Signature Homes. This home ownership opportunity will allow Karen to build equity in her home and allow her children to be rooted in the community of Leduc without any fear of relocation. A promising future is in store and just in time for the Christmas season.

“Handing over keys during the Christmas season is very special to everyone at Habitat and to the family,” said Alfred Nikolai, President & CEO, Habitat for Humanity Edmonton. “Even though the family is paying a mortgage, the home is still a gift in many ways. It’s the gift of healthy pride, stability, equity – but most importantly, it’s the gift of hope. This family now has a bright future ahead of them with many fond memories to be made.”

Habitat relies on partnerships with individuals, corporations and governments to effectively run their affordable home ownership program. The Government of Alberta continues to invest in the future of its citizens by investing in Habitat’s sustainable model.

“Our government is proud to support Habitat for Humanity’s affordable home ownership program as it continues to grow in the City of Leduc and communities all across Alberta,” said Municipal Affairs Minister Ken Hughes. “Habitat for Humanity and its partners deserve recognition for once again coming together to bring home ownership to another family during this special time of the year.”

Tristate Signature Homes joined the Habitat Day in the Capital Region family in 2012 when they announced that they would gift a home to Habitat for Humanity. The generosity of capital region home builders has resulted in pledged homes for 19 families. Tristate’s President Arash Vahdaty knows that this gift is important for families, but also for community and his industry.

“Owning a home is a milestone in many people’s lives which provides a sense of pride and fulfillment. Tristate Homes witnesses this every day, and we hope that everyone who works toward home ownership is able to experience it,” said Arash Vahdaty, President, Tristate Signature Homes. “With the donation of this home, we are emphasizing that even as a smaller builder we can support our community in a big way, and encourage the rest of the home building industry to use their skills and expertise to do the same.”

The Leduc Foundation has supported Habitat initiatives in Leduc over the years and they continue to support Habitat by investing in our program.

“It is with great pleasure that Leduc Foundation is participating in the dedication of this Habitat for Humanity home in the City of Leduc,” said Nancy Laing, Executive Director, Leduc Foundation. “To have a local family provided with the opportunity for home ownership is very exciting. It is all that more meaningful that our partnership with Habitat for Humanity Edmonton is coming to reality during the year of Leduc Foundation’s 50th Anniversary.”

Habitat is grateful to Tristate Signature Homes, the Government of Alberta and the Leduc Foundation for making this home possible for Karen, Gavin and Danielle.

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### **About Habitat for Humanity**

Founded in 1991, Habitat for Humanity Edmonton is a charitable organization working towards a world where everyone has a safe and decent place to live. Their 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](http://HFH.org) for more information.

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