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### **Alachua Habitat for Humanity Announces Board Build Day**

**Gainesville** – Alachua Habitat for Humanity is proud to announce that this Saturday 3/5/22, members of its Board of Directors as well as members of its numerous volunteer committees will be taking their energies from the Board Room to the Build Site. The Board Build Day is an effort by Habitat Board members to honor and celebrate the hands-on contributions that thousands of Habitat volunteers in our community contribute each year to make affordable housing possible. “This special Build Day is an opportunity for our Board to experience what all of our volunteers experience, the satisfaction and the fun of giving back,” said Board President, Linda Sherman. As with all build sites, Habitat Family Partners, those households enrolled in its Homeownership Program, will work side-by-side with volunteers as part of their 400-hour sweat equity requirement to building their home. When complete, Family Partners buy the homes, becoming responsible for a mortgage they can afford. The Board Build Day is taking place at 826 NE 16<sup>th</sup> Terrace in Gainesville on a lot recently donated by the City of Gainesville.

“On average, Alachua Habitat for Humanity engages over 1500 volunteers annually who contribute nearly 20,000 hours of their time to build homes, communities, and hope,” said Chief Outreach and Development Officer Scott Winzeler, “Indeed, our homes would not be possible without the good will and sweat of volunteers.”

For more information about this build, please contact Scott Winzeler (352-371-5871).

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Founded in 1986, Alachua Habitat for Humanity is the local affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International. We envision a world where everyone has a decent place to live and we work towards that vision by bringing people together to build strength, stability, and independence through shelter. To accomplish these goals, we invite people of all backgrounds, races, and religions to build houses together in partnership with families in need of affordable housing. Through volunteer labor and donations of money and materials, Alachua Habitat has built 163 homes in the local community. Habitat houses are sold to homeowner families financed with mortgages they can afford. For more information visit [www.alachuahabitat.org](http://www.alachuahabitat.org)

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