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Home Dedication for 8th House Built By Santa Fe College Construction Students in Partnership with Alachua Habitat for Humanity

Gainesville, FL – In the true spirit of community partnership, engagement, and education, Kendra and her children will celebrate the dedication of their new home on **Saturday, November 11, at 10:00 am**. The home dedication celebration will take place at **9308 SW 89th Place**.

McLeod General Trades, a proud community partner, sponsored the house which was built by Santa Fe College construction students and apprentices. Alachua Habitat's partnership with Santa Fe College's Charles R. Perry Construction Institute facilitates the training of construction professionals while assisting in Habitat's mission to provide safe, affordable housing in our community. Kendra's house is the eighth completed through the Santa Fe College partnership. The house was built in two sections on campus and was transported to the final destination on May 30. Once the house was assembled at its final destination, Kendra, along with Habitat volunteers, worked tirelessly to complete the house.

Kendra works as a CNA and is a single mother of six children. She currently lives with her children in an apartment that is too small for her family, and where they don't feel safe due to numerous safety concerns in the area. They are excited and grateful that they will soon be able to live in a safe, stable home that they can call their own. The reality of homeownership is possible thanks to Kendra's hard work and dedication, the support of McLeod General Trades, Santa Fe College, Alachua Habitat for Humanity, and the numerous volunteers and community sponsors who donated time, money, and materials along the way.

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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 self-reliance through shelter. To accomplish these goals, we invite people of all backgrounds, races, and religions to build houses together in partnership with local families in need of affordable housing. Through volunteer labor and donations of money and materials, Alachua Habitat has built more than 135 homes in the local community. Habitat houses are sold to homeowner families at no profit and financed with affordable loans. For more information visit www.alachuahabitat.org