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Abdellatif and Saadia

Abdellatif and Saadia moved from Morocco to Ottawa in 2009. Abdellatif worked as a farm adviser with the Department of Moroccan Agriculture for 14 years, but he decided to pursue a new career in the healthcare industry when he arrived in Canada.

After two years of studies, he now works as a registered practical nurse at Montfort Hospital. His wife, Saadia, is a devoted stay-at-home mom and she is also enrolled in second language courses.

The oldest of their three sons, Youness, 18, is in Grade 12 and he is passionate about music. He has been devoting many volunteer hours at the east-end Habitat for Humanity ReStore to help his family complete the 500 hours of volunteer time required as part of Habitat GO's Homeownership Program.

Eleven-year-old Zakaria is in Grade 4 and he loves anything to do with science and technology. Six-year-old Adam is in senior kindergarten and he dreams of becoming a world champion soccer star.

The family currently lives in a small rental unit that has issues with excessive mold and mildew and their neighbourhood has a high crime rate. They are working hard to achieve their dream of becoming Habitat GO homeowners.

"We want to ensure a better environment that is healthy and safe for our children," says Abdellatif. "This is only possible thanks to Habitat GO and to all those who are helping make this dream in reality."

