

Celebrating the completion of Habitat Greater Ottawa's Titus Landing Development

Habitat for Humanity Greater Ottawa's first in-person Key Ceremony since the pandemic will celebrate eight Ottawa families who now have a safe and secure place to call home.

Media are welcome to join today at 2pm – Interviews Available

When: Thursday, June 9, 2022 at 2pm

Where: Titus Landing at Wateridge Village, 455 Wananki Road

Ottawa, ON (June 7, 2022) – Habitat for Humanity Greater Ottawa is delighted to celebrate the completion of its latest development, Titus Landing at Wateridge Village. This event will be Habitat's first in-person dedication ceremony since 2019. Sponsored by **Red Roof Foundation**, the 8-unit stacked townhome development is centrally located on the former Canadian Forces Rockcliffe Airbase, in a growing neighbourhood close to amenities such as transit, parks and schools.

"We are looking forward to seeing our Titus Landing sponsors, volunteers and supporters in person for such a momentous occasion," says Mushtaq Kazani, CEO of Habitat Greater Ottawa. "We are especially excited to see the families receive the keys to their new Habitat homes. Their commitment in partnering with Habitat Greater Ottawa through the unpredictability of the last two years has been nothing short of amazing."

"We're happy to see the completion of the Titus Landing build," says Charles Pulfer of Red Roof Foundation. "We share the same dream as Habitat for Humanity, that every family can find a house and that the house can be a positive influence for their family. We look forward to handing over the keys to these hard-working families."

In the wake of COVID-19, Habitat Greater Ottawa adopted the use of a prefabricated construction method to stay on schedule in the wake of build delays and ongoing challenges accessing build materials and related supply chain issues. The Key Ceremony event will celebrate not only the Titus Landing families, but the dedication and passion of Habitat Greater Ottawa volunteers, sponsors and donors in helping complete this development. During the event, we are inviting guests and media to **tour one of our Titus Landing units** completely staged with furniture and home décor items provided by our local Habitat Greater Ottawa ReStore.

Hear from a few of our soon-to-be Habitat homeowners:

"Becoming a Habitat Homeowner will allow us to move into a safe home with payments that we can afford. Our children will have their own spaces to go and play. If our kids are happy, we are happy as parents. We hope that our future will be bright - especially for our kids." – Ousmane & Oomou, future Habitat homeowners

"While volunteering with Habitat, we created bonds with the other families that would be in the same development as us. We are very excited to have a community of supportive people around us; that's all

we want. Somewhere we can grow, my son can have a quality education, and we can live a happy, healthy lifestyle.” – Cynthia, future Habitat homeowner

With their help, my family will live in a safe and stable home where we can set roots down and call ours. Also, we’re able to move into an accessible unit. I’ve been managing my life with polio, and this will be such a helpful way to spend my time at home. Somewhere I feel like I can move freely, with no complications. Where I feel safe.” – Zeinab & Abdiwahab future Habitat homeowners

[Full family profiles](#) and photos are available at www.habitatgo.ca.

Habitat Greater Ottawa could not build without the support of the community, volunteers and sponsors. Thank you to the **Red Roof Foundation**, the **City of Ottawa**, **Canada Lands Company**, **Leacross Foundation**, **Urbandale Corporation** and **Enbridge Inc.** for their generous sponsorship of this development.

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About Habitat for Humanity Greater Ottawa

With the help of local Habitat families, donors, community partners and volunteers, Habitat for Humanity builds affordable homes that provide a solid foundation for local families.

Habitat’s Affordable Homeownership program offers more than just housing; it sets families up to be successful homeowners who are invested in their homes and in their community. The benefits of owning a long-term stable Habitat home are many. They include reduced reliance on social housing and food banks, better educational, financial and employment outcomes and improved health and overall wellbeing for families.

For more information, please visit habitatgo.ca