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## Habitat for Humanity's Kristen Bardin Selected as part of Leadership Palm Beach County's Engage Class of 2025

**PALM BEACH COUNTY, FL** (September 9, 2024) Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County is pleased to announce that Kristen Bardin, Director of Advancement of the local non-profit has been selected to be part of Leadership Palm Beach County's Engage Class of 2025.

Leadership Palm Beach County is a nonprofit organization that brings together leaders from the public, private, and nonprofit sectors to build and steward a vibrant, interconnected community. Every year a class of community leaders from diverse backgrounds is selected to participate in the Engage program.

As the Director of Advancement at Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County, Kristen plays a pivotal role in the organization's mission. She oversees all fundraising events, individual giving, donor relations, and strategic partnerships, leveraging her skills and experience to support affordable home-building efforts. Her leadership and dedication have significantly contributed to the success of these initiatives.

Kristen is a change-maker and thoughtful leader. She is the immediate past chair of the PBNCC Young Professionals Council and has volunteered with the Palm Beach Chamber as an Ambassador for the last three years. She is also a Leadership West Palm Beach Alumni and Day Chair.

Kristen graduated with a bachelor's degree in hospitality management from the University of Central Florida in 2010 and thrived in luxury resorts such as The Ritz Carlton Palm Beach and The Jupiter Beach Resort. Kristen has spent over 15 years in event management and has been a

fundraising professional for six years; first with Center for Family Services of PBC, orchestrating the Old Bags Luncheon, one of Palm Beach's top social events of the season, and now with Habitat, where the affiliate was recognized in 2024 as having the most successful Women Build in the nation.

Kristen is a Jupiter native who now resides in West Palm Beach, where she is the president of the Historic Vedado Hillcrest Neighborhood Association. She cares deeply for her family, friends, and community. In her free time, she enjoys the Florida lifestyle with her husband, Matt, and two beautiful young children, Harley and James.

**About Leadership Palm Beach County:**

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Engage Forward is the program through which each Engage class gives back to the community through projects in partnership with local organizations. They are energized to volunteer and help local non-profits reach the next level of success by collaborating with the organizations to tackle an issue facing that organization or community. Past Engage Forward projects have become successful and long-lasting programs or events within their organizations. The impact of Engage Forward has historically been significant and of lasting benefit to the participating organizations and the communities they serve. To learn more visit [leadershippbc.org/](http://leadershippbc.org/)

**Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County:**

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County is a 501©(3) organization and an affiliate of a global nonprofit, Habitat for Humanity International. Our mission is to bring people together to build homes, communities, and hope. Since 1986, we have built 433 new homes, revitalized 757 existing homes, and partnered with over 1,190 households in need of safe, decent, and affordable housing in Palm Beach County. Habitat homeowners apply to qualify for the program, then help build their own homes alongside volunteers and pay an affordable mortgage. Through financial support, volunteering, and shopping or donating to any of our five ReStore-Thrift Store & Donation centers, everyone can help families achieve the strength, stability and self-reliance they need to build better lives for themselves. Through shelter, we empower. To discover more, visit [www.habitatgreaterpbc.org](http://www.habitatgreaterpbc.org) and follow us online at @HabitatGPBC.

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