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**Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County  
Presented the Murphy Family Keys to a New Home in Lake Worth Beach  
*First Habitat Home with Solar Power!***

**LAKE WORTH BEACH, FL** (September 18, 2024): Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County presented Sharell Murphy with the keys to her new home on August 30, 2024, during a special Home Dedication Ceremony. Family, friends, volunteers, and supporters of the nonprofit organization gathered at the Lake Worth Beach home to celebrate this momentous occasion. Proud sponsors of this home include Universal Property and Casualty Insurance Company, Lake Worth Beach CRA & the City of Lake Worth Beach (land donors), Rack Solar, and the Palm Beach County Housing Finance Authority.

The Murphy family home was constructed in partnership with more than 100 local executives and community leaders who rolled up their sleeves and helped build this home during the CEO Build in September 2023.

Sharell Murphy was born and raised in Boca Raton and works as an administrative assistant at a property management company. She is a mother of three adult children and will be sharing her home with her daughter and grandchild. Sharell has always dreamed of having her own home, but the rising cost of housing put this dream out of reach. That was until she learned about Habitat for Humanity and embarked on her journey to first-time homeownership.

“Being a homeowner is a dream come true. I look forward to building memories and meeting milestones with my family in our home,” shared Sharell.

Universal Property and Casualty Insurance Company presented Sharell and her daughter with the keys to their new Habitat Home, which they sponsored, and their employees helped build.

“We couldn’t be happier for the Murphy family and are honored to have been part of their homeownership journey-- may they have many years of happiness and cherished memories in their new home. Habitat for Humanity is an outstanding organization that embodies many of our core values and creates a tremendous positive impact on our community,” said Stephen Donaghy, CEO Universal Insurance Holdings.

The Murphy Family home is the first Habitat Home with a full solar power system, made possible by Rack Solar. The family is eager to take advantage of this upgrade, which offers benefits such as lower utility costs, an increase in the home's value, and a more environmentally friendly and climate-resilient living space.

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County partners with families and individuals like the Murphy's on their path to first-time homeownership. Qualified applicants invest time into the construction of their homes, attend financial literacy and home maintenance workshops, and, upon completion of the program, purchase their homes with an affordable, 30-year, interest-free mortgage.

### **About 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 434 new homes, revitalized 757 existing homes, and partnered with over 1,190 families and individuals 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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