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Habitat Omaha Kicks Off 12th Annual Home Builders Blitz

Omaha, NE (September 10, 2019) – Habitat for Humanity of Omaha will kick off construction on eight new homes during the 2019 Home Builders Blitz, the organization's largest annual home construction event. The build begins **Monday, September 16**, and will continue through Friday, September 20.

Eight local builders have partnered with Habitat Omaha to construct homes in the Kountze Park neighborhood between the streets of 22nd and 24th and Sprague and Manderson. Participating builders are: Callaway Homes, Kiewit, Lund-Ross Constructors, McLeay Building Company, MCL Construction, Snider Construction Company, Turner Construction, and Vantage Design & Construction. Builders and other volunteers will begin working at 6:00 a.m. on Monday to take the homes from foundation to finish in just five days. Tours of the build site can be coordinated Monday, Sept. 16 through Friday, Sept. 20.

This year marks the fourth and final time the Home Builders Blitz will be held in Kountze Park.

The Kountze Park Neighborhood was selected as a focus area of Habitat Omaha's in 2014. By the end of the year, Habitat Omaha will have completed more than 50 new and 15 renovated homes in this area, including a total of 14 builds this year.

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About Habitat for Humanity of Omaha

Founded in 1984, Habitat for Humanity of Omaha is a grassroots organization that builds and renovates houses, forges community partnerships and breaks down barriers. We develop vacant lots and eliminate abandoned homes in blighted areas of North and South Omaha while improving the overall appearance of our community. Habitat Omaha homebuyers are required to complete up to 350 hours of sweat equity before purchasing their homes through 20-to-30-year affordable mortgages. Since 1984, Habitat Omaha has partnered with more than 1,600 families; this year we will impact the lives of more than 200 families in the Omaha area. In 2019, Habitat Omaha will build or renovate more than 50 homes and complete more than 150 home repair or improvement projects. For more information, visit habitatomaha.org.