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Support for Habitat Partner Families Continues to Grow in Huntsville

Two Local Businesses Make Substantial Donations to the Habitat Home Being Constructed at Irene Street

HUNTSVILLE, ON – On April 22, two local families will begin their new lives as first-time homeowners, and it will be largely with thanks to the dedication and support of local Huntsville businesses. This week, Habitat for Humanity announced two substantial donations from Wilson's Paint and Wallpaper and Hunters Bay Radio which will help in the construction and key turning ceremony at the Irene Street buildsite.

Wilson's Paint, a family-owned and operated business in Huntsville for over 40 years, donated all of the paint which will cover the walls of the families' new homes. The Wilson's have lived and worked in Huntsville for three generations, and their donation will ensure local families are given the chance to do the same. The shop at 90 Howland Drive was more than accommodating to the group of volunteers and Habitat team members who spent much of last weekend coating the walls.

Muskoka's not-for-profit community radio station, Hunters Bay Radio 88.7, presented a cheque to Habitat for Humanity for \$1,000 on Wednesday, March 22. The radio station has been committed to community service since their online introduction in 2009, and are mainstays in supporting local causes.

"Having Wilson's Paint and Hunter's Bay Radio support the build in Huntsville is another great example of local businesses supporting local causes," said Britta Gerwin, Habitat's Director of Development and Communications. "When the home is finished and the families are all moved in these businesses can feel a sense of pride and accomplishment for years to come. It's a real example of tangible community bonding."

If you would like to join the Huntsville build as a sponsor, partner, or volunteer contact Habitat's Director of Director of Development Britta Gerwin at (705) 646-0106 ext. 205 or email bgerwin@habitatgatewaynorth.com.

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