
Habitat for Humanity NWT Welcomes Four New Homeowners

YELLOWKNIFE, HAY RIVER (November 27, 2023) Habitat for Humanity Northwest Territories is excited to welcome four new homeowners to their new homes. In Hay River, one family moved into their new home earlier this year, with a key ceremony to follow in Spring 2024. A key ceremony was held in Yellowknife on November 25 to welcome three homeowners and their new families to their new homes. A fourth unit is under construction in Yellowknife, with another family moving in Spring 2024.

“It is crucial for the government of Canada to partner with organizations like Habitat for Humanity to provide safe, affordable homes across the country,” said the Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities. “This investment of over \$1.37 million is made possible through the National Housing Strategy’s northern carve-out which addresses the housing challenges and needs here in the Northwest Territories. Today’s announcement will support four different families with secure homes they can proudly call their own to raise their children and grandchildren in. I am pleased to see the National Housing Strategy come to life through examples such as this.”

The National Housing Co-Investment Fund’s \$60 million northern carve-out has been set aside by the Government of Canada to address housing needs and challenges in the Northwest Territories. This critical funding is currently being rolled out to offset high construction costs caused by the unique building challenges faced in the north.

“We are so excited to welcome four homeowner families to their new homes in Hay River and Yellowknife,” said Dave Hurley, President, Habitat for Humanity NWT. “Homeownership remains out of reach for many northern families and Habitat for Humanity plays a crucial role in enabling families to realize their dreams of owning a home. The inspiring stories and hard work of our new families reinforce the importance of Habitat’s commitment that everyone deserves a safe, decent, affordable place to live. We are so grateful for our partners and community support to get these homes built for these deserving families.”

Builds were made possible through the Government of Canada, with additional support provided by the Government of the Northwest Territories, Elks Lodge #314 Yellowknife and the Yellowknife Community Foundation, with many local contractors and businesses providing free and discounted goods and services. The Town of Hay River and the City of Yellowknife donated the building lots for these homes.

Additional information on homeownership eligibility is provided on the Habitat for Humanity NWT [website](#).

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