

## **Habitat for Humanity will build two more homes - The House that FM96 Built and Women Build!**

September 5, 2018 – London, ON - Habitat for Humanity Heartland Ontario is excited to partner with FM96 and over 200 local women to build homes for Brianne's family and Jodey's family as they break ground at 28 and 30 Forbes Street on Thursday, September 13, 2018 at 11:00AM.

"We are eager to begin the construction of two new homes on Forbes Street in the growing Manor Park community and cannot thank the community and FM96 enough for their support of this project", said Brian Elliot CEO, Habitat for Humanity Heartland Ontario. "Brianne's home is our 2018 Women Build and will be constructed by women from the community over the next few months. Next door, The House that FM 96 Built will rely on the donation of funds, materials and labour from loyal listeners and other community supporters of Habitat."

Jim and Taz from FM96's The Taz Show will emcee the Groundbreaking Ceremony on Forbes Street to let everyone know how to get involved.

Brianne is a single mother taking care of her 14 year old son Brayden and trying to save for the future. Brayden is severely disabled and uses a wheelchair but their current home is not accessible. Brianne is finding it more difficult to transfer Brayden between rooms and tending to his daily needs such as bathing. It is very taxing on her body and she relies on other family members for help. Brianne and Brayden enjoy being outside, swimming and spending time with friends and family. They also share a love of animals.

According to Brianne, "Owning my own home means stability, being able to keep my son with me longer, knowing I can safely transport my son without struggling and hurting myself."

Jodey was born and raised in London, Ontario. For Jodey family has always been her first priority, she has been a busy single working mom and the sole provider for her 17-year-old son Adalton for 8 years.

Adalton is also very ambitious, having worked part time for the past 3+ years as well as being very involved with school, community and sports all of his life, thanks to the help and support of his grandparents.

Adalton is an honour roll student, serves on Student council, takes part in local charity/fundraising events and has recently accepted an offer to Brock University with

scholarships for academic achievement. He has been invited to train and possibly join varsity rowing at Brock thanks to the training he has received locally at the London Rowing Club.

Adalton intends to pursue a degree in Sports Management with the hopes of possibly working locally with the London Lightning one day! Jodey has worked hard to provide for her family. However, with a single income the need to be tightly budgeted in order to cover the cost of housing and life essentials had made homeownership seem impossible to attain.

Due to life circumstances, Jodey has depended on co-operative and not-for-profit housing in order stay within her budget, but always hoped that one day she and Adalton would be able to enjoy a home of their own!

Anyone interested in supporting The House that FM96 Built or Women Build should contact Allison Kampman at (519) 455-6623 ext. 229 [akampman@habitat4home.ca](mailto:akampman@habitat4home.ca). The public are invited to come out and celebrate with us on September 13.

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Who: Habitat for Humanity Heartland Ontario

What: Groundbreaking Ceremony - 28 and 30 Forbes Street, London

When: September 13, 2018 - 11:00am

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### **About Habitat for Humanity Heartland Ontario**

Habitat for Humanity believes that every man, woman and child has the right to the confidence, security and hope that a home provides. Affordable housing is key to building strong, equitable and thriving communities. By mobilizing volunteers and community partners, we can build affordable housing and promote homeownership.

Jodey and Adalton



Brianne and Brayden

