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## Wells Fargo Foundation Partners with Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity to Rehabilitate and Build Homes in the Twin Cities Metro

**St. Paul, MN** (November 4, 2024) – As part of a nationwide effort to strengthen communities and support more than 290 families, the Wells Fargo Foundation awarded a \$157,000 grant to Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity to rehab and build on five build sites in Edina, Farmington, Minneapolis, and St. Paul. The final Wells Fargo volunteer build of this year will take place during the week of November 4. Wells Fargo employees will join Twin Cities Habitat at The Heights in East St. Paul to continue the construction started during the 2024 Jimmy & Rosalynn Carter Work Project.

Wells Fargo volunteers at The Heights, Twin Cities Habitat's largest-ever development, will work on one of 30 affordable homes that will be completed this winter and spring. Over the next four years, Twin Cities Habitat will create a total of 147 affordable housing units on 12 acres at the site. The broader redevelopment at The Heights is being done in partnership with the City of St. Paul, St. Paul Port Authority, Sherman Associates, and JO Companies.

At least one in four households in Minnesota spend more than a quarter of their income on housing, and the number of Twin Cities families struggling to afford rent is on the rise. Additionally, 77.5% of white households own their homes in Minnesota, compared to 30.5% of Black households. The disparity is even wider in the metro area. The Heights development supports Build Forward Together, Twin Cities Habitat's new comprehensive campaign to expand homeownership, advance racial equity, and engage community.

This funding from Wells Fargo is part of a \$6.375 million donation to Habitat for Humanity International through the 2024 Wells Fargo Builds program to increase access to safe and affordable housing across the U.S.

### About Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity

Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity brings people together to create, preserve, and promote affordable homeownership and advance racial equity in housing. Since 1985, more than 1,900 families have partnered with Twin Cities Habitat to unlock the transformational power of homeownership. Twin Cities Habitat is one of the highest-regarded Habitat for Humanity affiliates nationwide. Learn more about Build Forward Together at [www.tchabitat.org/buildforwardtogether](http://www.tchabitat.org/buildforwardtogether). [www.tchabitat.org](http://www.tchabitat.org).