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**LOCAL OFFICIALS UNVEIL STAGHORN VILLAS MODEL AND  
VOLUNTEER DURING WORLD HABITAT DAY EVENT**

ORLANDO, Fla. – Local officials joined Habitat for Humanity Orlando representatives, volunteers and homeowners at Staghorn Villas to celebrate World Habitat Day. During the event, Habitat Orlando unveiled the Staghorn Villas model townhome, and local dignitaries volunteered alongside future homeowners.

Habitat Orlando joined more than 2,200 affiliates celebrating World Habitat Day. The United Nations designated World Habitat Day as the first Monday in October in 1985. The day serves not only to affirm the need for adequate shelter for all – but also as a reminder of the collective responsibility for the future of the human habitat.

Former Habitat Orlando board member Dick Batchelor gave the event's keynote speech.

"Dick has been an advocate for Habitat – and for affordable housing – and was one of the founding members of Habitat Orlando. We're grateful for his support, both then and now," said Dee Danmeyer, executive director for Habitat for Humanity Orlando.

Currently, Habitat Orlando is constructing Staghorn Villas, the organization's first \$8 million multifamily community. Slated for completion in 2012, it will eventually house 58 low-income families.

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**About Habitat for Humanity Orlando**

Habitat for Humanity Orlando is a not-for-profit, ecumenical, Christian organization dedicated to transforming the lives of low-income, hard working families through the American dream of home ownership. Rated a four-star charity by Charity Navigator, Habitat Orlando works together with local sponsors, donors and volunteers to build communities and strengthen families throughout Central Florida. To learn more about Habitat Orlando or to make a donation, call (407) 648-4567 or visit [www.habitat-orlando.org](http://www.habitat-orlando.org).

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