

What's Happening on the Build Site

The Ridge at Sand Creek in Colorado Springs

So far in 2024, we have finished:

- Jessica's 2-bedroom home (the 3rd Interfaith Build for Unity)
- Gilas' 2-bedroom home (recycled through the Fund for Humanity)

We are scheduled to finish:

- Maria's 3-bedroom home (Fund for Humanity, April)
- Janice's 2-bedroom home (Fund for Humanity, June)
- Ida, Alex, and Lucia's 3-bedroom home (Kum & Go Sponsored Build, June)
- Miranda's 3-bedroom home (Fund for Humanity, September)
- Damian and Trinady's 3-bedroom home (Veterans Build, November)
- Tonya's 5-bedroom home (Fund for Humanity, December)
- Bernadette's 3-bedroom home (2024 Apostles Build, December)



Radon Mitigation Systems Add to Safety of Pikes Peak Habitat Homes

What is radon, and how does it impact Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity's home construction?

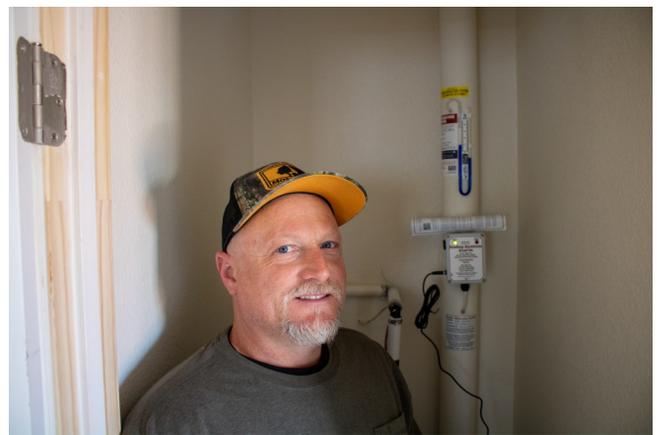
Radon is a known carcinogen that can cause lung cancer. No amount is safe, and the longer someone spends in a high-radon environment, the greater the risk to them. Most people are exposed to radon in their homes, because that's where they spend the majority of their time.

"Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas that comes from the radioactive decay of uranium in the ground," explains Alex St. Clair, Pikes Peak Habitat construction supervisor. "It is found everywhere in different amounts, and depending on the nature of the soil below a home and the way the home was built, it can be drawn up into the house."

The amount of radon in one residence can be high, while the house next door might have a low reading. The only way to know if radon is present is to test.

"Because half of all Colorado homes are above the EPA action level of 4pCi/L (picocuries per liter) and because we are homebuilder that truly cares about our families and knows how to build radon-resistant

new construction, we have made the decision to build houses without radon," says St. Clair.



He holds certification as a Radon Mitigation Specialist and is also a certified Radon Measurement Professional, both of which are required by the Department of Regulatory Affairs for anyone overseeing the construction of radon mitigation systems in single-family houses.

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Unity: Many Pieces, One Picture

Reflections from Kris Lewis, CEO of Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity



Kris Lewis

At a recent Pikes Peak Habitat all-staff meeting, we examined how each program supports the affiliate’s mission and core principles. One of the ideas that emerged from our discussion is that we’re like a puzzle: Many different pieces come together to create one beautiful picture. Each piece has its own unique shape and shows a different aspect of the whole. No single piece is more important or prestigious – or less crucial – than any others. They fit together in unity.

That unity of purpose, our shared vision, is clear throughout this issue of *coming home*. You’ll read about sustainability as a guiding principle at our ReStores, which continue to expand the recycling programs they offer to the El Paso County community. You’ll learn why radon mitigation is a vital

part of our construction process as we build homes that aren’t just affordable to purchase, but are designed to remain both affordable and safe for the families who will live in them in the coming years. You’ll get to rejoice with some of these families as they celebrate moving into their own homes, and you’ll meet others who are just embarking on the process of building and purchasing the places where they and their children will live. You’ll see the continuity between our programs as Jennifer, a homeowner who worked with our repair program, now uses her story to advocate for policies that support affordable homeownership.

Unity also shows up in the story of a bench decorated by local faith communities and presented to Jessica, our 3rd Interfaith Build for Unity homeowner. People from diverse traditions and congregations came together to build the home where Jessica and her son now live, and they created the bench as an enduring reminder that our commonalities are much greater than our differences.

This spring, construction supervisor Gary Blake will retire after spending 14 years with Pikes Peak Habitat. Gary isn’t just a piece of our puzzle; he’s part of the glue that holds us all together. His story beautifully shows the connections between the homes we build, the families we serve, and the volunteers who make our work possible. And while I’ll miss seeing Gary’s cowboy hard hat and infectious grin around the construction site, I remain grateful for the blessings he has brought – to Pikes Peak Habitat as a whole, and to me personally.

We are what we are and do what we do because of the many pieces that come together to serve El Paso County and beyond. You’re one of those pieces, too, whether you volunteer, donate, advocate for us, stitch quilts for our families, shop at the ReStores, or support us in other ways. We’re so grateful for you and the unique, vital contribution you make to the picture we create together.

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Beloved Construction Supervisor Gary Blake Retires

This spring, Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity is saying a bittersweet farewell to construction supervisor Gary Blake, who has been with the organization since 2010. Blake is retiring – and moving out of state – so while we wish him and his wife the best as they begin this new chapter, we'll also miss him!

Blake has worked in construction for most of his life. "I started drywalling when I was like eight years old!" he recalls. "My dad had a company, and back then, if you had a family business, you participated!"

He later worked in residential drywalling and did stud steel framing for commercial buildings. Then he transitioned to high-end home remodels – which is how he met Pikes Peak Habitat's then executive director, Paul Johnson.

"He knew me, and he knew my work ethic," Blake recalls. When the construction superintendent went on vacation, he filled in, supervising a crew in the Woodmen Vistas subdivision. He joined the staff in time for the first Home Depot Build, which brought 650 people to the construction site in one day!

"I stayed because of the good we were doing, the people we were helping," Blake says. "Working with people who are here to help others, just to help others – they're not here for their own reward or gain in any way, shape, or form. Almost all of our volunteers are just here so they can help somebody, doesn't matter who. There's no, 'You're a different class,' 'You're a different race,' 'You're a different religion.' There's none of that. We don't have that in our volunteer base, and it's been very healing to be around."

Blake has remained in contact with many of the families he's worked with over the years, and he's witnessed how homeownership can transform their lives.



"I have seen them be able to quit jobs that they've had since high school," he says, "because they could afford to change careers or go to school and switch careers."

He shares a favorite story: One homeowner, a single mom, met a man from California, and they decided to be married near the ocean.

"She had never seen the ocean. Her three daughters had never seen the ocean," Blake recalls. "Because they had affordable housing, they could take the time to go to California and get married."

A neighbor – also a Pikes Peak Habitat homeowner – volunteered to sew the wedding dress and the bridesmaid dresses for the couple's daughters. She and her family attended the ceremony, too.

"She and her husband and her two children had never seen the ocean, but they could afford to go to this wedding," Blake says. "There were three of my families who went out to that wedding! That's the kind of neighborhood and friendships they have built."

After he retires, Blake and his wife plan to move to a home they purchased and renovated in Mississippi. But the mark he's made on Pikes Peak Habitat – and our volunteers and families have made on him – will endure.



"I was in the trades for years, and those were always houses, because a lot of them weren't sold yet," he says. "But here, getting to work with the homeowners side by side, getting to know the families and building for that family, it's a home from day one. It's a home before I dig a hole. I really like that!"



Advocating for Affordable Homeownership

Advocacy is an important part of the work we do at Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity. We build and repair homes in partnership with El Paso County workforce families, veterans, and seniors – but the need is much greater than we, or any other organization, can meet. That’s why we engage in advocacy efforts, asking legislators to support policies and practices that can bring about systemic change.

In February, Karla Probert, Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity executive assistant to the CEO and affiliate advocacy ambassador, and Sarah Buchen, volunteer manager, traveled to Washington, D.C, for Habitat on the Hill, Habitat for Humanity International’s annual legislative conference. They were joined by board member Tim Trowbridge and by Jennifer, the wife of a U.S. Army veteran. She and her husband worked with our home repair program after the century-old El Paso County house they purchased needed far more extensive repairs than they had anticipated.

The Pikes Peak Habitat delegation met with elected officials, including staff in the offices of Senators John Hickenlooper and Michael Bennet and Congressional Representatives Doug Lamborn and Lauren Boebert.

The following week, Probert and Pikes Peak Habitat CEO Kris Lewis traveled to Denver for Coffee at the Capitol. They met with state officials to make the case that “Affordable homeownership IS affordable housing.”

The hope is that by meeting with legislators and providing firsthand stories like Jennifer’s, we can help usher in policy changes that will make homeownership affordable for more people in El Paso County, Colorado, and throughout the United States.



Above left, Karla Probert (l) and Kris Lewis meet with State Sen. Tony Exum during Coffee at the Capitol in February. Above right, Lewis speaks with Rep. Don Wilson. Below (l to r) Sarah Buchen, homeowner Jennifer, Probert, and Tim Trowbridge stand in front of the U.S. Capitol Building in Washington, D.C, during Habitat on the Hill in February.



Post up for Veterans

Sponsor a stud or block and create a message of hope, encouragement, or inspiration for Army veteran family Damian and Trinady!



Participate in Our First Post up for Veterans Fundraiser!

This spring, Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity is holding a fundraiser for our 5th Veterans Build home, where U.S. Army veteran Damian, his wife, Trinady, and their twin daughters will live. Donate \$35 per block or \$50 per stud, pick up your boards at either ReStore location, decorate them, and return them to the ReStores by Saturday, June 1. Then join us for an open house July 13, noon-2 p.m., to see where your stud or block ends up in the home’s frame!

Scan the QR code for more info and to sign up!

Ground Blessings Start Homeownership Journey, While Home Dedications Celebrate Completion



Celebrating their ground blessing Feb. 24 were Bernadette and her family, 2024 Apostles Build future homeowners (above left); Damian and Trinady, 5th Veterans Build future homeowners, and their daughters (above center); and Miranda and her family, Fund for Humanity future homeowners (above right).

Over the past few months, Pikes Peak Habitat has celebrated milestones with five families! Three of them are at the start of the home construction process, and the other two received the keys to their new homes after completing their sweat equity and homebuyer classes.

Triple Ground Blessing

On Saturday, Feb. 24, we held a ground blessing for Bernadette and her three children, Damian and Trinady and their daughters, and Miranda and her two children.

Bernadette works in childcare and is a single mom who tries to take her kids on a fun vacation every year. Past trips include Mesa Verde and a Kansas zoo, where Bernadette got to swim with penguins!

Her family's home will be our 2024 Apostles Build, an ecumenical initiative that brings together El Paso

County churches. "The best part is [my kids will] get to see it from the ground up!" says Bernadette. "They're at an age where they'll remember that for the rest of their life."

Damian is a U.S. Army veteran, and he and his wife, Trinady, are the parents of twin two-year-olds. Damian works as a delivery driver, while Trinady is completing her master's degree in criminal justice and national security intelligence. Mold in their apartment has caused health issues for both of their daughters, and one of the girls has also been diagnosed with a rare blood disorder.

Their family's home will be our 5th Veterans Build. "Changing from being a soldier to being a civilian and working a regular job can be tough, and lots of veterans struggle to find their feet once out of the military," says Trinady. "Helping veterans and their families is so amazing."



New homeowner Jessica and her son, Bryson, celebrate the dedication of their home, constructed as the 3rd Interfaith Build for Unity, Feb. 24. Below left, Leah Cowles, Pikes Peak Habitat home repair program manager, presents them with handmade quilts made by Quilts for New Beginnings. Below center, Bryson uses his new key for the first time. Below right, Jessica shares a hug with fellow Pikes Peak Habitat homeowner and neighbor Karmen.



New homeowner Gilas and her son, Romeo, celebrate their home dedication March 23. Above left, Gilas holds a hand-embroidered ornament commemorating the occasion. Above center, Gilas and Romeo are joined on their porch by Alex St. Clair, Pikes Peak Habitat construction supervisor, and volunteers who worked on the renovations. Above right, Gilas and Romeo stand inside their new home.

Miranda is also a working single mom. Her family has outgrown their crowded apartment, and her kids are excited to live in a home with their own bedrooms and a yard. She’s even promised them a puppy when they move into their new home!

“I’ve driven my kids through the neighborhood, and we’ve seen kids playing in the streets,” says Miranda, whose home will be a Fund for Humanity Build. “I’m excited for them to be able to play with kids in the neighborhood, like I did when I grew up!”

Jessica’s Home Dedication: The 3rd IBU

Immediately after the ground blessing, we celebrated the home dedication for our 3rd Interfaith Build for Unity (IBU). The ceremony for new homeowner Jessica and her son, Bryson, featured representatives from a variety of faith traditions, who came together to build the home. In addition to sharing blessings and gifts, IBU subcommittee members presented Jessica with a bench created as a collaborative project between faith communities. (See story on pages 6-7.)

“I’m very thankful, and I’m very blessed to have been part of this situation,” says Jessica, who works for a local school district.

Gilas’s Home Dedication: A Recycled Home

We celebrated another home dedication on March 23, when we welcomed Gilas and her son to the Woodmen Vistas subdivision. They will live in a recycled home that Pikes Peak Habitat built in 2011. The original purchaser lived there for more than a decade. When the home was returned to our inventory, construction and volunteer crews replaced the trim, installed new flooring, primed and painted the walls, added a hybrid

water heater and mini-split heating and cooling system, and replaced interior, exterior, and garage doors. The house also received a new roof and Energy Star-rated appliances.

Gilas, who is originally from Kurdistan, works as a phlebotomist, and she became a U.S. citizen shortly before she was accepted to our homeownership program. (Pikes Peak Habitat requires all applicants to be U.S. citizens or Legal Permanent Residents.)

“Especially when you have a different culture and different religion from where you come, it’s just great” that so many people volunteered to work on her home, Gilas says. “I got goose bumps. It just feels really, really good!”


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We're accepting applications for our homeownership program!

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Everyone deserves a decent, affordable place to live.

IBU Bench Demonstrates Beauty of Interfaith Collaboration

This year, Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity's interfaith partners came together to create a unique bench for Jessica, our 3rd Interfaith Build for Unity (IBU) homeowner, and her son, Bryson. Participating faith communities decorated boards with blessings, Scriptures, and images. Guests at the interfaith dialogue in early February also had the chance to contribute their thoughts and prayers. The completed bench was presented to Jessica and Bryson at their home dedication Feb. 24. (See story on pages 6-7.)



Above left, Chloe Henry, Pikes Peak Habitat Faith in Action program manager, unveils the bench for 3rd IBU homeowner Jessica and her son, Bryson, at their home dedication Feb. 24. Above right, faith communities decorated boards with blessings and images that are meaningful to them.

"The bench serves as a physical representation of the beauty that can be created when different faith groups come together," explains Chloe Henry, Pikes Peak Habitat Faith in Action program manager.

Jeff Mawhirter of Christ City Church said the bench idea arose from the IBU subcommittee's desire to create "a more visible version of the stud signing. This is where different faith groups sign the studs inside the walls of the home with spiritual passages, words of encouragement, etc.," he explains. "During a previous partnership build, we did a similar bench, and it seemed like a great way to fulfill that desire."

Representatives brought boards to their faith communities, who spent several weeks decorating them. Then Mawhirter and other IBU subcommittee members put the pieces together, creating the completed bench. "It's the joining of the messages and artwork that are the real value," he says.

"The best projects are the ones in which people work together, and this one did exactly that!" says Barb Treacy from St. Francis of Assisi Parish. "In a world that seems more divided than ever, Pikes Peak Habitat continues to bring people together, reminding us that we have more in common than the nightly news wants us to believe!"

Jeff Ader, chair of Pikes Peak Habitat's IBU subcommittee and president of Temple Beit Torah,

agrees. "Temple Beit Torah was inspired to participate in the Unity Bench project due to our fundamental belief that all belief systems share more commonalities than differences," he explains. "We saw the build and the bench as a tangible expression of this shared humanity and unity among diverse faith communities."

The bench features contributions from Christian (both Protestant and Roman Catholic), Islamic, Jewish, and Native American groups. Although their beliefs differ in some respects, they're united in their well wishes to Jessica and her son as they begin life in their new home.

"We just hope she LOVES her new home and has a chance to relax on this bench to just enjoy the view and life a bit," says Kymm Hockman from First United Methodist Church Prairie Campus. "We hope the bench blesses her and her family."

Tamer SayedAhmed, chaplain at the U.S. Air Force Academy, worked with the USAFA Muslim Cadets on the project, and he says they chose passages that reflect their hopes for Jessica and Bryson.

"We believe the last three chapters of the Quran (112, 113, and 114) help seek God's protection against envy and evils," he says. "As a result, we wrote those chapters of the Quran to ask God to protect Jessica's new home."

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Radon mitigation

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“The homeowners are going to be living in these houses, [some of them] raising kids. The kids are going to be living in these houses for decades, the hope is – that’s how we’re thinking about it,” says Eric Wells, Pikes Peak Habitat construction superintendent. “So if people are inhaling that radon, especially kids with the smaller lungs, it has an adverse effect.”



Above left, we place a pipe called a plenum in a trench, then embed it in rock. Above right, the membrane is glued to the stem-wall with polyurethane caulking and sealed at all seams to make it as airtight as possible. Alex St. Clair, Pikes Peak Habitat construction supervisor and radon-certified professional, oversees every step of the process.

Pikes Peak Habitat installs a system called sub-membrane depressurization. This system creates suction under a sealed membrane on the crawlspace floor, catching radon from the soil, then uses an attic fan to eject that radon before it can enter the home. We also add active monitoring alarms that alert homeowners of any issues with the system, so they can call for service in a timely manner.

Because of these systems, radon numbers in Pikes Peak Habitat homes have tested at or below ambient outdoor radon levels. “The EPA wants us to stay below four picocuries per liter,” explains Wells. “Our houses are averaging 0.3, 0.4, 0.2.”

St. Clair emphasizes that radon mitigation is just one aspect of Pikes Peak Habitat’s overall focus on building homes that aren’t just affordable to purchase – but will remain affordable and safe for the families who live in them for years to come.

He believes this concern for the homeowners sets Pikes Peak Habitat apart from other builders.

“That is a quality house,” he says, “because we’re invested in our people for a lifetime.”

“I’m really proud of Alex,” says Wells. Earning the certifications “was a lot of work, and I think from the conversations we had, it pushed him a little outside his comfort zone – and he still did it!”

St. Clair laughs. “I had to learn the physics of radioactive decay, and that part is stuff I’m not used to doing!”

“The knowledge that he has brought to the site and our building methods has been invaluable,” concludes Wells.

St. Clair Finds Fossils

Alex St. Clair is Pikes Peak Habitat’s in-house radon expert – and paleontologist! Several years ago, he found what turned out to be stegosaurus ribs in a Utah canyon.

“My hobbies are hiking and mountain biking and finding petroglyphs,” he explains. In 2020, he visited Utah’s Nine-Mile Canyon. “I was looking at petroglyphs,” he says, “and I also saw something that I thought was a fossil, so I took a picture of it.”

This spring, he took his mother to Denver’s Museum of Nature and Science for her birthday. A staff paleontologist was working in the laboratory on-site, and St. Clair decided to show him the photo and ask his opinion.

“He said, ‘Ah! Ribs! Those are most likely stegosaurus ribs if it’s in the Mesa Verde sandstone,’” St. Clair says. “He told me to look in the *Roadside Geology of Utah* and see if it’s in the Mesa Verde layer or below, and it is! So it’s most likely stegosaurus ribs from two different animals.”

He plans to contact a museum in the area to find out whether they’re aware of the bones – and to keep a close eye out on future Utah trips!



Left, St. Clair spotted these stegosaurus ribs in a canyon wall. Right, St. Clair’s mountain bike rests next to the world’s largest dinosaur tracks along the Purgatory River in southeastern Colorado.

ReStore Recycling

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The textile recycling program serves people who are bringing other items to the ReStores, so they don't have to visit multiple places to donate goods. The ReStores don't have the capacity to process and price these items, though, and Drury doesn't want to compete with other local thrift and secondhand stores that carry clothes, shoes, and accessories.

"We don't want to get into a niche that somebody else is already in, especially if they're really good at it," he explains. "We created a lane of our own, and we're trying to stay within it."

While the textiles themselves might not remain in the area, the proceeds do.

"The dollars stay local," Johnson says. "The effects of donating your clothes here are one, they get properly recycled, and two, they have a 100 percent chance to positively impact somebody, whether it's locally, nationally, or internationally. And the funds that we receive stay in El Paso County to build homes in El Paso County."

In addition to textiles, the ReStores also serve as donation centers for nonbiodegradable materials, including metal, paint, and porcelain.

Paint that can't be resold to customers goes to Paint-Care, which passes it to companies that recycle it into new paint. Bringing the process full circle, each ReStore location carries a different brand of recycled paint.

Annually, the ReStores repurpose enough paint to cover the inside of the Pentagon, the world's largest office building. "That's a huge deal!" Drury says. "In a day and age where chemicals are getting very difficult to deal with, it's nice to be able to have an outlet for some of the most-used items for home improvement projects: paints and stains."



Both ReStore locations carry recycled paint: Visions Quality Coatings (above left) at ReStore Northeast and GreenSheen (above right) at ReStore South.

Similarly, the porcelain recycling program gives new use to another non-biodegradable material. While the ReStores resell some used sinks and low-flow toilets, what they can't sell goes to the Colorado Springs Utilities Commodes to Roads program, which grinds up porcelain to use as road base.

"Porcelain is a compactable base," explains Drury. "They can get a consistent compaction rate, which is harder to do with natural materials, and when you lay asphalt over the top of that, it will stay."

The emphasis on recycling and reusing is what drew him to the ReStore.

"Being in the corporate world, we were just selling things to make a profit, and everyone could just go out and buy their way into whatever they felt," he says. "I came to this particular entity because I knew that we resold things that wouldn't end up in the landfill; they would continue to live out their usable life."

Johnson agrees. "Reuse life is great!" he says. "I think the idea of somebody being done with something and somebody else still being able to get use out of that is incredible. I love being able to find those resources for people!"



Donate Textiles to the ReStores!

If you're planning to donate building supplies, home goods, or furniture to the ReStores, why not also clean out your closet and bring us your textiles to recycle? We accept "anything that you would wear, accessories included," says Dylan Johnson, ReStore South operations manager – but no underwear! We'll take clothing, shoes, belts, backpacks, and even costume jewelry. Please place items in a bag and leave in the designated bins in donation areas at either ReStore location.

IBU Bench

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Feda Jodeh and Kamel Elwazeir from the Islamic Society of Colorado Springs contributed a board with blessings, including “Peace,” “May God bless this home,” and “Love,” burned into the wood. “These words have great significance,” explains Jodeh. “They are used across many faiths and offer a reminder to the homeowner that they are finally in a permanent home, where they have safety, security, love, and peace.”

Jessica notes that the IBU is “great because we are all coming together, and in this instance, everything is put aside – even though we are learning from one another.” Adding to the learning aspect, many designs expressed values and symbols that are important to the faith traditions and communities that decorated the boards. The Native American Women’s Association contributed a post with a traditional design featuring black, red, white and yellow, often used to symbolize the four directions, four seasons, sacred path of the sun, and human beings. Temple Beit Torah’s “designs predominantly featured the Star of David, a symbol deeply significant in the Jewish faith,” says Ader. “The Hebrew word ‘Chai,’ meaning ‘Life,’ was prominent, reflecting the core values and aspirations of our tradition. The inclusion of a Jewish prayer for family underscored the importance of community and connection within our faith tradition.”

Both Temple Shalom and Christ the King Lutheran Church drew inspiration from the stained-glass windows in their places of worship. And First United Methodist Prairie Campus contributed designs with their own congregational symbols and motto. “Our sort of ‘symbol of inclusion’ is a set of cute, colorful gummy bears,” says Hockman. “So the one board is covered with colorful gummy bears. Our church ‘swag’ says ‘Love Each Other’....so the other board bears that phrase in many different colors and handwritings.”

The boards were truly an intergenerational effort, with designs contributed by everyone from adult groups, such as the Knights of Columbus at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, to children. “They were very excited to be a part of this project,” says Treacy of the latter. “Some of them are too young to write messages, and because it was done around Christmastime, you may notice a Santa or Christmas tree!”

Those who decorated the boards also benefited. “Members of our church have enjoyed working alongside people from other faith traditions to help a neighbor in need of affordable housing,” says Stephanie Sparks from Grace & St. Stephens Episcopal Church. “The concept of the bench being a visual representation of our involvement in this project was well-received.”

And the project provides a valuable reminder: “It is possible to bring people together to create a gift that reflects the unity and cohesiveness of the relationships we have built that span across various faiths,” says Jodeh.

Mawhirter agrees. “I think about the unity it represents at moments when I start feeling that unity is missing in the world,” he says. “Peace and unity isn’t missing, it’s right here, and we are blessed to be living in it.”

Visit PikesPeakHabitat.org/Blog to read more about the bench!



Top, Kamel Elwazeir from the Islamic Society of Colorado Springs explains the blessings burned into the wood as Chloe Henry listens. Second from top, Barb Treacy from St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church talks about the boards her congregation decorated. Second from bottom, Sandy Walking Eagle, the Lakota representative on the IBU subcommittee, offers a blessing at Jessica’s home dedication. Bottom, Judy Carnick from Temple Shalom holds up the bread she baked for Jessica and Bryson after speaking about the boards her congregation decorated for the bench.





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