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Bank of America donates \$75,000 to Habitat for Humanity Greater Orlando & Osceola County to support safe, affordable housing and Hurricane Ian recovery efforts

Orlando, Fla. (October 6, 2022) – <u>Habitat for Humanity Greater Orlando & Osceola County</u> announces a donation of \$75,000 by <u>Bank of America</u> to help provide safe, affordable housing in Central Florida. Following the devasting impact of Hurricane Ian, Bank of America nearly doubled its donation of direct funding toward Habitat's recovery and rebuilding efforts. In addition to the donation, Bank of America team members spent the day helping build homes.

"As we assess and regroup from this devastating storm, community partnerships will be critical to a lasting and permanent recovery," said Jodie Hardman, market executive, Bank of America Central Florida. "We hope other local businesses will join us in support of the work Habitat is doing to provide disaster relief and recovery in the communities we live and serve."

Originally, Bank of America pledged \$40,000 to Habitat Orlando & Osceola in honor of Habitat Global Build, the company's week-long initiative to build affordable housing and engage in other community projects around the world. After the devasting impact of the hurricane, the bank increased the donation to \$75,000 to assist in jumpstarting recovery from Hurricane Ian in Central Florida.

"The housing crisis that our community was already facing has now been more clearly illuminated," Habitat for Humanity Greater Orlando & Osceola County President & CEO Catherine Steck McManus said. "Partners like Bank of America help us offer affordable, stable mortgages to help more individuals own their own home and maintain homeownership."

Bank of America presented the donation on October 6. The check presentation kicked off a volunteer build day at Habitat Orlando & Osceola's Central Orlando community, Silver Pines Pointe.

For high-res images of today's event, visit here.

About Habitat for Humanity Greater Orlando & Osceola County

Driven by a vision that everyone deserves a safe, affordable place to live, Habitat for Humanity Greater Orlando & Osceola County builds and repairs homes and strengthens communities. Families and individuals in need of a hand up partner with Habitat Orlando & Osceola to build or improve places to call home. Habitat homeowners help build their own homes alongside volunteers and pay an affordable mortgage. Working together by donating, volunteering or becoming an advocate, everyone can help members of our community live in safe, affordable homes. Founded in 1986, Habitat Orlando & Osceola is one of Habitat for Humanity International's over 1,100 affiliates working in communities throughout the United States and in more than 70 countries. To learn more, visit HabitatOrlandoOsceola.org.

About Bank of America:

At Bank of America, we're guided by a common purpose to help make financial lives better, through the power of every connection. We're delivering on this through responsible growth with a focus on our environmental, social and governance (ESG) leadership. ESG is embedded across our eight lines of business and reflects how we help fuel the global economy, build trust and credibility, and represent a company that people want to work for, invest in and do business with. It's demonstrated in the inclusive and supportive workplace we create for our employees, the responsible products and services we offer our clients, and the impact we make around the world in helping local economies thrive. An important part of this work is forming strong partnerships with nonprofits and advocacy groups, such as community, consumer and environmental organizations, to bring together our collective networks and expertise to achieve greater impact.

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