

# *HABITAT FOR HUMANITY MORGAN COUNTY*

TOGETHER, THROUGH SHELTER, WE EMPOWER



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## *A Letter From the Executive Director, Landis Griffin*

Gratitude. The word is described as the feeling of thankfulness or appreciation. That definition exactly portrays the abundant feeling when I think of you, our donors and supporters of Habitat for Humanity! It has been amazing to watch our community pull together, even in times of a pandemic, to remember and care for each other. As we all know, “stay in place” and “social distancing” doesn’t stop the needs, it only works to make the needs less visible or put them out of sight. Even with all the challenges this season has brought, Habitat began the Building the Dream 2020 fall build in October. With your continued support, we will provide another qualified family safe and healthy living conditions. As you think about helping to support this build, please know there is no amount too small. Any and every dollar helps reach the mission of affordable housing for families in Morgan County and is immensely appreciated. Thank you in advance for being the hands and feet of Christ to benefit others.

In closing, I would like to share a quote I read to remember to be grateful and it has never been truer than in a time when it would be very easy to count our troubles. The quote is anonymous and says this: “It is not happiness that brings us gratitude, it’s gratitude that brings us happiness.” May we start each day with overflowing gratitude!

Keep building hope,

Landis Griffin

Executive Director

*The latest on  
this quarter's issue:*

**FALL BUILD START DATE  
NOV 13**

**SPECTACLE OF LIGHTS  
DEC 17 - DEC 20**

**ADMIN OFFICES CLOSED  
DEC 24 - JAN 1**

# *Building the Dream 2020*

## HOME BUYER SPOTLIGHT : BRITTANY ALEXANDER

After moving back to Alabama in 2017, Brittany found herself broken, confused, and distraught. She was separated from her husband and had two children to provide for. Enduring numerous hardships along the way led her family and church members to share information about the Habitat homeownership program. She applied in February 2018 and made it through the initial phase of the program but was denied during the second phase. Trusting God's perfect timing, she reapplied in February 2019 and was accepted. During this time, a close family member welcomed Brittany and her children into her home and will remain living here until her Habitat home is completed.

The Habitat homeowners education programs proved to be very beneficial in teaching Brittany about savings and retirement, banking and credit as well as tips to save on utilities. She says the classes have helped her tremendously to incorporate these principles into her life to set a strong foundation. She plans to use these skills to manage and maintain her home then teach them to her children. Brittany always longed to be a homeowner but lacked adequate knowledge to begin the process.

Each homeowner in the Habitat program is required to fulfill "sweat equity" hours and she is working hard to do just that. Brittany looks forward to having a place to call her own and maintains it will be filled with love, joy, and happiness. Her desire is to pay it forward, to share truth in love and share her testimony giving God all the glory! She believes it is very important to reach out and to give back. This family of 3 are excited to embark on their new journey together.

## *House Funding Goal*



**We believe a safe, stable, affordable home is more critical now than ever before.**

**We've got the plan. Now we need you.**

**DONATE NOW.**

## *Fall Build Sponsors*

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## *Habitat ReStore*

**Donate** - It's getting cooler outside...what a great time to clean out your closets, garage, and attic! Be sure to think of the ReStore when you do. We accept new and gently used household items and building materials. To schedule a pick-up: call us at 256-308-1160.

**Shop** - Looking for a bargain? Come to the Habitat Restore for furniture, building materials, and great ideas for Christmas gifts and DIY projects.

**Volunteer**- A great opportunity to give back is to volunteer in our ReStore. It is a rewarding way to help others. Volunteer TODAY.

## *Donation Links*

### **Supply Wish List**

Is your organization looking to collect supplies to donate in a drive? We have a wish list of items that are always helpful

### **Amazon | Kroger**

If you shop Amazon or Kroger, it's easy to designate HFHMC as your community group. Each time you shop, these organizations donate to us!

### **Donate Building Materials**

The supply of building and home improvement materials sold in the ReStore comes through donations by private citizens, contractors, and local home supply businesses.

*We wish you and your family a Happy Holiday Season.*