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Orlando Health partners with Habitat for Humanity Greater Orlando & Osceola County to support safe, affordable housing

ORLANDO, Fla. (May 10, 2024) – <u>Habitat for Humanity Greater Orlando & Osceola County</u> joined forces with longtime partner Orlando Health to help provide safe, affordable housing in Central Florida. On Friday, Orlando Health team members spent the day building a house in Orlando's Holden Heights community. This house will not only embody the commitment of these two organizations to combat the affordable housing crisis, but it will serve as one Central Florida family's cherished home for years to come.

"As our region confronts an affordable housing crisis—made worse by inflation and supply chain challenges— partners like Orlando Health are essential to achieving our mission," said Habitat for Humanity Greater Orlando & Osceola County President and CEO Catherine Steck McManus. "Providing Central Floridians with affordable homes is one of the ways Habitat Orlando & Osceola continue to Face The Housing Crisis."

This isn't the first time these two organizations collaborated to strengthen the region. Orlando Health's partnership with Habitat Orlando & Osceola spans over a decade and has included homebuilding as well as a campus beautification project.

"Just as Orlando Health is committed to providing quality healthcare services to our community, Habitat for Humanity Greater Orlando & Osceola County is dedicated to building safe, affordable housing and empowering families in our area," said Ohme Entin, Chief Operating Officer of Orlando Health Orlando Regional Medical Center and Habitat Orlando & Osceola board member. "By partnering with Habitat for Humanity, we strengthen the fabric of our community and work together towards a brighter, more sustainable future for all."

About 20 Orlando Health team members worked alongside future homeowners on Friday's build.

For high-res photos of today's event, click 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 strengthens communities by building and repairing homes,

and counseling and educating homeowners and the public. Families and individuals partner with Habitat Orlando & Osceola to purchase homes with an affordable mortgage. Through Face the Housing CrisisTM and the Cornerstone HousingTM Framework, Habitat Orlando & Osceola is working with community partners to address the wicked problem of the affordable housing crisis in Central Florida and its detrimental effects on community priorities. Founded in 1986, Habitat Orlando & Osceola has built, rehabbed or repaired over 850 homes throughout Central Florida. The nonprofit has achieved recognition as one of the 40 "top producers" out of over 1,100 Habitat for Humanity International affiliates working in communities throughout the United States and in more than 70 countries and is a HUD-certified local Housing Counseling Agency. To learn more, visit HabitatOrlando.org.

About Orlando Health

Orlando Health, headquartered in Orlando, Florida, is a not-for-profit healthcare organization with \$9.6 billion of assets under management that serves the southeastern United States and Puerto Rico.

Founded more than 100 years ago, the healthcare system is recognized around the world for Central Florida's only pediatric and adult Level I Trauma program as well as the only state-accredited Level II Adult Trauma Center in Pinellas County. It is the home of one of the nation's largest neonatal intensive care units, one of the only systems in the southeast to offer open fetal surgery to repair the most severe forms of spina bifida, the site of an Olympic athlete training facility and operator of one of the largest and highest performing clinically integrated networks in the region. Orlando Health has pioneered life-changing medical research and its Graduate Medical Education program hosts more than 350 residents and fellows.

The 3,487-bed system includes 33 hospitals and emergency departments – 26 of which are currently operational with seven coming soon. The system also includes nine specialty institutes, skilled nursing facilities, an in-patient behavioral health facility under the management of Acadia Healthcare, and more than 375 outpatient facilities that include physician clinics, imaging and laboratory services, wound care centers, home healthcare services in partnership with LHC Group, and urgent care centers in partnership with CareSpot Urgent Care. More than 4,950 physicians, representing more than 100 medical specialties and subspecialties have privileges across the Orlando Health system, which employs more than 29,000 team members and more than 1,400 physicians.

In FY 23, Orlando Health cared for 197,000 inpatients and 6.6 million outpatients. The healthcare system provided nearly \$1.3 billion in total impact to the communities it serves in the form of community benefit programs and services, Medicare shortfalls, bad debt, community-building activities and capital investments in FY 22, the most recent period for which this information is available.

Additional information can be found at http://www.orlandohealth.com, or follow us on LinkedIn, Facebook, Instagram and Twitter @orlandohealth.