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United Federal Credit Union/Harbor Habitat for Humanity Pass the Hammer Ceremony



ST. JOSEPH, MICHIGAN (July 20, 2009) - Pass the Hammer and get ready for the keys! The capstone for Harbor Habitat for Humanity's Crystal Estates in Benton Charter Township was set today as the final two homeowners received the hammer starting them towards home ownership and completing the Crystal Estates community. The Bruce Temple Home and the United Federal Credit Union Corporate Challenge House mark the completion of Crystal Estates.

United Federal Credit Union's President/CEO, Gary Easterling, participated in the "Pass the Hammer" ceremony today at Crystal Estates in Benton Charter Township, MI.

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“Our United Federal Credit Union culture expects service. We serve our members every day, but we are also committed to serving our communities. In addition to financial support, Team United, will be present with hammer in hand and a smile on our face to help these final two families have their home.” Easterling continued, “Partnering with Harbor Habitat for Humanity is one more way we can give back to our community and those living in it.”

“We are pleased Edgewater Automation, the Consortium for Community Development, and the Comcast Corporation have joined our credit union to build this home. We hope to add a few more sponsors as this home moves towards completion.”

United Federal Credit Union was the first sponsor to join the 2008 Community Challenge House, while Gary also chairs the Harbor Habitat Development Committee.

Crystal Estates was started in April 2008 and will have over 20 homes in the development when completed by the end of 2009. Harbor Habitat for Humanity is a Christian non-profit housing ministry that seeks to eliminate substandard housing in Benton Harbor and Benton Charter Township by engaging the community and partnering with families to provide them with a decent place to live.

United Federal Credit Union has served its members since 1949 by helping them to build a sound financial future. Presently UFCU consists of more than 76,000 member/owners worldwide, and manages assets in excess of \$917,000,000. Its corporate offices and main branch are located in St. Joseph, Michigan with additional Michigan branches located in Buchanan, Holland, Niles, Berrien Springs, Stevensville and Benton Harbor. In addition to our Michigan locations, branches are located in Ft. Smith AR, Van Buren AR, Statesville NC, and Fletcher, NC. For more information about United Federal Credit Union, please call toll-free at 1-888-982-1400, or visit the credit union’s web site at www.unitedfcu.com.

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