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**CITY OF ORLANDO AWARDS \$754,000 GRANT TO
HABITAT FOR HUMANITY ORLANDO
*Grant Helps Fund 36 Townhomes at Staghorn Villas***

ORLANDO, Fla. – The City of Orlando recently awarded a \$754,000 construction grant to Habitat for Humanity Orlando. The subsidy will reimburse Habitat for a portion of the construction costs for the first 36 townhomes of the 58-home community – Staghorn Villas – the organization’s first multi-family development and largest homebuilding effort to date.

“We are extremely grateful to the City of Orlando for their active involvement in Staghorn Villas,” said Greg Allen, deputy director for Habitat for Humanity Orlando. “The grant money has helped us build an attractive, safe neighborhood – while making sure that the homes remain affordable. It would have been very difficult for us to make this development a reality without their generous support.”

Once complete, the 3.9-acre development will provide affordable homes for 58 local families. Eleven families have already moved into the first two completed buildings. Located on Stag Horn Drive and Silver Star Road, the community will feature 10 buildings, each of which include four to eight Energy Star-rated townhomes surrounded by ample green space. Construction at Staghorn Villas is slated for completion in the spring 2012.

About Habitat for Humanity Orlando

Habitat for Humanity Orlando is a not-for-profit, ecumenical, Christian organization dedicated to transforming the lives of low-income, hardworking families through the American Dream of homeownership. Habitat Orlando is one of approximately 2,100 local affiliates of Habitat for Humanity International. Support from sponsors, donors and volunteers directly benefits the Central Florida community. To learn more about Habitat for Humanity Orlando or to make a donation, call (407) 648-4567 or visit www.habitat-orlando.org.