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### **Four organizations coming together to bring 58 affordable homes to South Apopka**

**Orlando, Fla (March 6, 2017)** – [Habitat for Humanity of Greater Orlando](#) will break ground on the organization's third planned community, Arbor Bend, which will feature 34 homes upon completion in 2019. [Habitat for Humanity of Seminole County and Greater Apopka](#) will break ground on Juniper Bend, a 24-home community. Together, both organizations will bring 58 single-family homes to the South Apopka area.

The ground breaking event will take place at 1221 S. Washington Avenue on March 16, 2017 at 9:00am. The event will feature remarks from Teresa Jacobs, Mayor of Orange County; Joe Kilsheimer, Mayor of Apopka, and Francina Boykin from the Apopka Historical Society.

"Arbor Bend and Juniper Bend represent new beginnings and we are excited that it is a collaborative effort bringing affordable housing to the South Apopka community," shared Catherine Steck McManus, President and CEO of Habitat Greater Orlando.

Affordable housing in the South Apopka area is being made possible as a result of a public and private partnership with Orange County, Homes in Partnership, Habitat Greater Orlando and Habitat Seminole-Apopka. All four entities are working collaboratively to restore hope among local residents that have expressed the project is a long time coming.

"Homeownership creates generational change for both the families and the community," said Penny Seater, Executive Director of Habitat Seminole-Apopka, "and a project of this size will have significant impact for Apopka."

To apply and view the criteria for homeownership with Habitat Greater Orlando, visit [www.habitat-orlando.org/apply](http://www.habitat-orlando.org/apply). To apply and view the criteria for homeownership with Habitat Seminole-Apopka, visit [www.habitatseminoleapopka.org/homeownership](http://www.habitatseminoleapopka.org/homeownership).

#### **About Habitat for Humanity of Greater Orlando**

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#### **About Habitat for Humanity of Seminole County and Greater Apopka**

*Habitat for Humanity of Seminole County and Greater Apopka has completed more than 165 homes throughout the community. The affiliate's construction capacity has more than tripled over the last two years and expecting to serve an additional 7 families by the June of 2017. To learn more about Habitat Seminole-Apopka or to make a donation, call 407-696-5855 or visit [www.habitatseminoleapopka.org](http://www.habitatseminoleapopka.org). Like Habitat Seminole-Apopka on Facebook [www.facebook.com/HabitatSeminoleApopka](https://www.facebook.com/HabitatSeminoleApopka) and follow on Twitter [@SeminoleHabitat](https://twitter.com/SeminoleHabitat)*

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