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## ***Habitat for Humanity Metro Maryland Announces A New President/CEO***

Silver Spring, MD (June 13th, 2022) — Habitat for Humanity Metro Maryland (HFHMM) is excited to announce that Jeffrey Dee has been selected to serve as the next President/CEO. John Paukstis, former President/CEO, stepped down after 16 years of service in December 2021. Jeffrey Dee stepped into the role of Interim President/CEO six months ago and demonstrated his leadership and commitment to building stronger communities through affordable housing.

A long-time team member of HFHMM, Jeff served as the Chief Development Officer from 2013 to 2021. During this time, he grew grant funding by 300%, oversaw the growth of HFHMM's Women Build Program to over \$300,000 annually, and he also helped launch the affiliate's first Capital Campaign, Hope Begins with Home, with a goal to raise \$1.5M dollars. Prior to joining Habitat Metro Maryland, Jeffrey served for three years as the Executive Director for Loudoun Habitat for Humanity and was elected as the Chair of the National Capital Area Habitat for Humanity Support Organization.

Originally from New England, Jeff now resides in Montgomery County with his wife of nine years and their three boys. Jeff received his Bachelor's Degree in History from St. Anselm College and a Masters in Theology from the Catholic University of America. Jeff's early career included teaching and extensive experience organizing and leading service trips to various localities, including Mississippi, Kentucky, and inner-city Philadelphia. Jeff is also a proud Eagle Scout and loves to golf.

"With the personal belief that we all want a decent and stable life for ourselves and our families, I am excited to lead an amazing group of staff members in building strength, stability, self-reliance, and affordable housing for the individuals and families we serve in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties," said Jeff Dee. "As we begin celebrating our 40th Anniversary this year, Habitat Metro Maryland is working to bring several large-scale affordable housing projects to fruition and help alleviate the affordable housing crisis in Montgomery and Prince George's County."

### About Habitat for Humanity Metro Maryland

Habitat for Humanity Metro Maryland, Inc. (HFHMM) is an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International that serves Montgomery and Prince George's Counties in Maryland. Since 1982, HFHMM has partnered with income qualified families to build strength, stability, self-reliance, and affordable housing. To date, HFHMM has provided nearly 570 affordable housing solutions for families in need, issued over \$13 Million in zero interest financing and spent over \$20 Million in the local community to provide affordable housing solutions. and served over 1300 individuals. Visit our website at [www.HabitatMM.org](http://www.HabitatMM.org).

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