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Habitat for Humanity of Rhode Island-Greater Providence signs partnership agreement with the Providence College Habitat Chapter

PROVIDENCE, RI (April 8, 2021) Habitat for Humanity of Rhode Island-Greater Providence has signed a new partnership agreement with the Providence College Chapter. The signing of this agreement marks the chapter's recommitment to working hand in hand with HabitatPVD to build strength, stability, and self-reliance through shelter with families in the greater Providence community. HabitatPVD will support the chapter in its mission to educate students, faculty, and staff about the need for decent and affordable housing options, advocate on behalf of people in need of decent shelter, volunteer through participation in Habitat's Collegiate Challenge Spring Break program and through local construction projects, and help raise funds. For more than twenty years, Providence College has supported HabitatPVD through its active and engaging Campus Ministry service group.

"We are thrilled to partner with the PC Habitat chapter," said Mark Kravatz, HabitatPVD's Executive Director and a PC alumnus. "The college has one of the most active Habitat college chapters in New England with over 125 active members.

Kravatz added, "The students bring tremendous energy and commitment, and their engagement will help us to accelerate the organization's growth strategy to meet the greater Providence community's tremendous need for safe and affordable housing."

According to Colby Agostino, the Chapter's President, the partnership creates more PC students' service opportunities.

"I am very excited that our Habitat college chapter has entered a formal relationship with the local affiliate. With this partnership, PC students will be able to serve during alternative spring break

trips and be a part of the Habitat experience all year long. Working locally with HabitatPVD will be appealing to students who cannot participate in the spring break trips."

Pam Tremblay, Campus Minister for Social Justice and advisor to the chapter, echoed this sentiment.

"Providence College Habitat is thrilled to be officially partnering with HabitatPVD! For many years, our work with Habitat has been one of the great graces of the student experience and has impacted many students. With this official partnership with HabitatPVD, we look forward to our students actively supporting our local community and for the community to continue to leave a lasting positive impact on them."

For more information on how to get more involved with the Providence College chapter, contact Colby Agostino at colby.agostino@habitatpvd.org or visit <u>www.habitatpvd.org</u>

About Habitat for Humanity of Greater Providence

Since 1987, Habitat for Humanity of Greater Providence (HabitatPVD) has been an independently chartered affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International, the largest non-profit homebuilder globally. Our mission is dedicated to building decent, affordable housing with families that live in substandard and unaffordable housing and to make the need for affordable, safe, healthy, and efficient shelter a matter of conscience and action. <u>www.habitatpvd.org</u>

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