

## Press Release

### Habitat for Humanity Okanagan announces new build project in Lumby

Lumby, BC – Affordable home ownership in the region gets closer as Habitat for Humanity Okanagan agrees to build six homes on Shields Avenue in Lumby, BC. The lot for the project will be donated by the Village of Lumby in exchange for civil upgrades to be completed by Habitat for Humanity.

Mayor Acton says “I am pleased to announce that affordable home ownership is one step closer for Lumby residents, as the Village of Lumby enters into agreement with Habitat for Humanity on a housing project in Lumby.”

Initial plans are to build three homes with completion of the project further out. Timelines for the start of the first phase will be dependant upon community engagement, local fundraising, project financing and the process of family qualifications, all of which can be lengthy.

“To have the municipality engaged and committed to providing safe and affordable housing to their citizens is critical in the success of our mission that everyone deserves a place to call home. We know that there is a housing crisis right now and we can come together to make a difference for families.”, says Andrea Manifold, CEO of Habitat for Humanity.

To qualify, families must have a need for decent, affordable housing and, an ability to pay for and maintain a home. Other criteria include living in the Okanagan for at least 2 years and one person working full time in the family. Families are also required to contribute 500 service hours to Habitat.

### About Habitat for Humanity Okanagan

Habitat for Humanity Okanagan is an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity Canada, a for-impact, non-profit housing organization. Habitat for Humanity’s model empowers families to invest in home ownership. We build strength, stability and self-reliance through affordable home ownership because we believe every family should have safe, decent, affordable housing. For more information, please visit [www.hfhokanagan.ca](http://www.hfhokanagan.ca)

### About the Village of Lumby

Lumby sits just east of the beautiful Silver Star Mountain Resort, west of the breath-taking Monashee Mountains, north of the pristine Mable Lake and south of the ever-popular Aberdeen Plateau. The municipality boasts access to amazing outdoor adventure and is only 20 minutes from the vibrant City of Vernon. The serenity of the country coupled with close proximity to city living means this small town offers simply the best of both worlds. [www.lumby.ca](http://www.lumby.ca)

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