

## Welcome home, Jesus & Mili!

“Moving to Cedar Creek as a teenager was a significant turning point in my life. It wasn't just a change of scenery; it was a shift in perspective, a step towards a brighter future. I remember the day vividly when my family made the decision to call this place home.

My mom, a beacon of resilience and determination, played a pivotal role in shaping our destiny. With the unwavering support of Habitat for Humanity, Montgomery County, Texas, and the dedication of volunteers and loved ones, she built our sanctuary from the ground up. It wasn't just a house; it was a testament to the power of community and the potential for change.

Years later, as a husband and father, I find myself following in her footsteps. The opportunity she created for me ignited a fire within, a desire to build not just a home, but a legacy of generational wealth. Joining the program, I embarked on a journey of empowerment and self-discovery, guided by her wisdom and fueled by her love.

Living in a cramped space with my parents and sister, alongside my wife and our precious daughter Leilani, reminded me of the importance of having a place to call our own. It's not just about privacy; it's about creating a haven where we can flourish as a family, where our dreams can take root and blossom.

In Cedar Creek, amidst the hum of construction and the camaraderie of fellow homeowners, we found a sense of belonging unlike any other. Each step of the homeownership program brought us closer to our neighbors, forging bonds that transcended mere proximity. Together, we shared the joys and challenges of building a brighter future for ourselves and our loved ones.

The prospect of finally having a place of our own fills us with boundless excitement. Leilani, our little ray of sunshine, will have her own room to grow and thrive, surrounded by love and laughter. Our living room, the heart of our home, will bear witness to countless memories yet to be made – birthdays, holidays, Sunday mornings filled with warmth and togetherness.

As we stand on the threshold of a new chapter in our lives, I can't help but feel grateful for the blessings that surround us. Our journey may have been marked by obstacles, but each hurdle only strengthened our resolve to overcome. With our new home as our anchor, we set sail towards a future filled with promise and possibility, united in our determination to thrive as a family, one step at a time.”



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