

Georgetown build gets \$60,000 donation from PMI Master sponsor joins Habitat

Habitat for Humanity Halton (HFHH) has announced that PMI Canada, through The PMI Foundation, has become a Master Home Builder Sponsor for the current Georgetown build project.

In addition to donating \$60,000 toward the cost of construction, PMI Canada has invited the Hamilton-Halton Home Builders' Association to join them in participating in the Georgetown project.

The Hamilton-Halton Home Builders' Association will join PMI as volunteers and community partners in building affordable housing and promoting homeownership as a means of breaking the cycle of poverty.

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"We are honoured to contribute to this worthwhile build. Although PMI Canada, a subsidiary of PMI Mortgage Insurance Co., is withdrawing from Canada due to market conditions, this build is part of our legacy of sustainable homeownership here in Canada," stated Janet Martin, President and CEO, PMI Canada.

"It is only with the support of companies like PMI Canada that Habitat for Humanity Halton is able to fulfil its mission of providing simple, decent affordable homes to those in need," said Kathrin Delutis, Executive Director for HFHH.



Canadian Olympic Women's Hockey team goalie Sami Jo Small—a double gold medalist—has been volunteering her time at the Georgetown Habitat for Humanity build site at 51 John Street. *Photo by Ted Brown*

"We are blessed to have been chosen by PMI Canada as a charity they wish to support this year and we are grateful for that support."

The money will go towards the costs of building and providing a home for a hard working family currently living in substandard housing.

Construction of the home is well underway on John St. in Georgetown, along with two other Habitat homes, and is expected to be completed this month.

Youngsters misidentified

Information accompanying a photo in the Wednesday, Oct. 1 edition about the Fourth Georgetown Scouting group cleaning up Hungry Hollow incorrectly identified the youths in the photo.

Five-year-old Jason Domingos and six-year-old Ryan Docker, both of the 4th Georgetown Beavers, were pictured.

The Independent & Free Press regrets the error.

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