

future homeowners

Lisbeth & Family

Lisbeth, her two daughters, and her mother are looking forward to having a real home to call their own. "This opportunity means stability, safety and the wellbeing of my daughter. It has given us a new chance at life."

Now that they have been accepted into Habitat CFC's homeownership program, the family will work on completing their required 'sweat equity' hours, working on their future home and the homes of their Habitat neighbors alongside staff and volunteers. They will also attend classes to complete a curriculum of homeownership education that will give them all of the tools and resources to be successful homeowners.

For the future homeowners of 171 Wessels Avenue, an accessible home will be the perfect fit for the whole family, but is especially meaningful for Lisbeth's younger daughter, Ariana, who is disabled and uses a wheelchair. Their current apartment is overcrowded and narrow halls and doorways make it almost impossible for Ariana to move in her wheelchair. Despite not meeting the family's needs, their rental apartment is still very expensive. Lisbeth says that

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finding an opportunity to own a home that is not only affordable but tailored to her daughter is a dream come true.

"It will allow my daughter to grow up in an accessible home, which will make her life a lot more comfortable," says mom Lisbeth. "Our dream for Ariana is to live the happiest and most comfortable life she can have."

Older daughter Lizbeth is looking forward to having a quiet pace to study as she goes after her goal of becoming a pediatric nurse. In spite of the scary times, she plans to follow in her mother's footsteps and enter into the healthcare field. Mom Lisbeth is a CNA at the Family Care Agency.

They are excited to help build their home and have been enjoying getting their hands dirty on the construction site. Lisbeth says, "Volunteering never feels like work. You are helping people in the same situation as your own family. It's such a gratifying feeling knowing others are doing the same for us. It's a great experience!"