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Ingram lot presented to Habitat for Humanity Yukon

WHITEHORSE – Yukon Housing Corporation (YHC) is donating a lot to Habitat for Humanity Yukon to build homes for low-income families, Minister responsible Jim Kenyon announced.

"Without the help of Habitat for Humanity, home ownership would be unlikely for these families," Kenyon said. "Yukon Housing Corporation is pleased to contribute to this worthwhile project that helps create a better quality of life for Yukoners in need."

Design work is underway on an energy-efficient triplex on Lot 135 in the Ingram Subdivision. Crews will break ground in summer 2011 and local businesses, volunteers and future owners will be involved in the construction. Yukon College will use the project to provide hands-on training for its pre-employment carpentry and mechanical trade programs. YHC will contribute the land, valued at \$51,500, as well as technical advice.

"The partnership with Yukon College and the Yukon Housing Corporation has been very successful for Habitat for Humanity Yukon," society spokesperson Michael Purves said. "Our projects depend on community participation. To quote the late Todd Hardy, 'It is about Yukoners helping Yukoners.'"

Yukon Housing Corporation's participation in Habitat for Humanity projects include a Copper Ridge project completed last fall, as well as a triplex on Wheeler Street scheduled for completion in spring 2011.

For further information on Yukon Housing Corporation's SuperGreen standards, or for advice on building SuperGreen, visit www.housing.gov.yk.ca or call 867-667-5759. For more information on Habitat for Humanity, visit www.habitatyukon.org.

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