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Join Franchesca and Perinton Congregations for  
Flower City Habitat for Humanity as we celebrate  
the dedication of 871 Smith Street!

Saturday, March 19th, at 11am  
In-person or online

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**Dedication Brochure**



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**Flower City Habitat for Humanity**  
 Rochester, NY

**871 Smith Street**  
**Dedication Ceremony**  
**March 19th at 11:00 am**



*Welcome!*

We're Live Streaming on FB Live:  
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Flower City Habitat for Humanity  
*"A world where everyone has a decent place to live."*

## About Franchesca

Franchesca is a single mother of a 16-year-old epileptic son and a 14-year-old diabetic daughter while also being legally blind herself. Her son is completely dependent on her, and with her petite size, it is a struggle for Franchesca to perform basic tasks such as lifting and moving him throughout the day.

Although Franchesca has been renting the same apartment for 10 years, she struggles with an unresponsive landlord. The plumbing in the apartment is in such bad shape that the building constantly smells of sewage and any other smaller repairs that have been needed over the years, she has had to do herself.

Franchesca found out about Habitat through her son's care manager at Prime Care Solutions. With

our program, and with follow up from the OPWDD (Office for People with Developmental Disabilities) we believe Franchesca's living conditions will improve drastically in a handicap- accessible single story home.

"This program is perfect for me because I will be able to own my home and pay less in the mortgage payments than I am currently paying to rent. My kids and I will be able to paint our rooms, decorate to our preferences, and really make the space ours. Also, because of the OPWDD, I will be able to have home modifications in this home that Alexis needs to thrive...", Franchesca stated.

She spent 4 months in our Homeward Bound program before being re-submitted for the Homebuyer program. During this time, she improved her credit score by over 50 points and paid off a significant amount of debt all while keeping monthly bills current and completing our six session financial literacy training. She has shown the dedication needed to succeed in our Homebuyer Program.

Franchesca did the majority of her sweat equity hours on our construction sites whereas many partner families find the majority of their hours elsewhere. She is extremely excited for the Dedication, where she is able to be alongside those who helped make her homeownership dream a reality.

## **Schedule of Events**

## **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:**

<b>WELCOME REMARKS:</b>	Ethel Duple
<b>SPONSOR INTRODUCTION:</b>	Ethel Duple
<b>WORDS FROM THE SPONSOR:</b>	Mark Stevens of Perinton Presbyterian Church
<b>WORDS FROM THE SPONSOR:</b>	Chris Hirschler
<b>FAMILY INTRODUCTION:</b>	Tim Guillemette
<b>PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS:</b>	Alexandra Mangione
<b>PRESENTATION OF THE HAMMER:</b>	Erwin Mageary
<b>PRESENTATION OF THE BIBLE &amp; HOUSE BLESSING:</b>	Reverend Peter Clifford of St. John of Rochester
<b>WORDS FROM THE HOMEBUYER COACH:</b>	Cindy Haag
<b>WORDS FROM THE FAMILY:</b>	Franchesca M.
<b>CLOSING REMARKS:</b>	Ethel Duple

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## **All are welcome**

All are welcome to join the livestream and we expect to be able to accommodate all who wish to attend in person.

For those attending in person, please reply to RSVP so we can plan ahead. Depending on weather and attendance, we may have the ceremony outside, ask for limited numbers in the house at one time, and/or open windows. Please dress for the weather!

Masks are welcomed but not required. Every attendee must fill out a health assessment questionnaire on the day of the dedication (before arriving). Please do not attend if you answer yes to any question on the health assessment.

**LIVESTREAM**

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