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affordable place to call home.

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**CANTON** Larry McAllister and his brothers have partnered with Habitat for Humanity East Central Ohio to rehabilitate the house they grew up in — so that a new family will have the opportunity to call it home.

The McAllisters generously provided the funds needed to preserve their childhood home, located at 200 Schwalm Ave. NE in Canton. They also volunteered alongside the future homeowner, sharing stories about their favorite memories from growing up. Now that the home is complete, it will be purchased by Reanna Finnell, a single mother who is raising two young daughters.

At 4 p.m. Friday, May 27 at the home, the McAllister family will pass off the keys to their childhood home to the Finnell family in a special house dedication ceremony. Both the McAllister and Finnell families will speak about what the home means to them, and Reanna will exchange her first zero-interest mortgage payment for the keys to her new home. **Members of the media are invited to attend.**

Progress photos of the home preservation project are available [here](#).

**About Habitat for Humanity East Central Ohio:** Serving Stark, Carroll, Tuscarawas, Harrison, and Jefferson Counties, Habitat for Humanity East Central Ohio is driven by the vision that everyone needs a decent place to live. People partner with Habitat for Humanity to build or improve a place they can call home. Habitat homeowners help build their own homes alongside volunteers and purchase the homes with an affordable zero interest mortgage. Through financial support, volunteering, or adding a voice to support affordable housing, everyone can help families achieve the strength, stability, and self-reliance they need to build better lives for themselves. Through shelter, Habitat empowers. To learn more, visit [habitateco.org](http://habitateco.org)

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