

Partner Family

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Decade of Dedication Build

The Bunns Fairman Family

When asked who the biggest influence is, Trayvon and Rasheane say they look up to their mothers the most. They can call them for anything, count on them for



everything and can thank them for encouraging them to begin their Habitat for Humanity journey.

After meeting in Louisiana and then having a long distance relationship spanning over several years and states – from McComb, Mississippi to Houston, Texas – they learned they were becoming a family of three. It was then Trayvon and Rasheane decided it was time to make Louisiana home again. The couple moved in with Trayvon's aunt for several months while exploring their housing options. Quickly becoming discouraged, the numbers just weren't adding up between their school custodian salaries and the cost of homes on the market.

Then one day Trayvon and Rasheane's mothers began encouraging them to apply for a Habitat home. Habitat for Humanity was a familiar program to Trayvon as his aunt previously purchased a Habitat home seven years ago. He remembers working on the home to help her with her sweat equity hours and the pride he took helping his family member build a home.

"The word home means a stable environment and that it's mine," they said.

Becoming Habitat homeowners will allow their 3 year old son, Trayvon "TJ" Jr., a safe place to play in the cul-de-sac where their future home will be located. TJ attends Headstart in Covington and he loves school. When asked what he wants to be when he grows up his answer is simple and very typical of a boy his age.

TJ says "I want to play football, basketball and drive trucks!"

Rasheane says he lights up when a big truck goes by and requires everyone to wave as it passes.

The always smiling and happy family enjoys watching home decorating shows on TV to learn about how to pick paint colors, decorate and landscape. It's a happy reminder that with their hard work and determination, they'll soon get to do that to their own home.

The Bunns/Fairman family will be part of the Decade of Dedication Build. Habitat for Humanity International and Habitat for Humanity St. Tammany West will host the A Decade of Dedication event, commemorating 10 years since Hurricanes Katrina and Rita with a week of training and continued service. Bringing together Disaster Corps and RV Care-A-Vanners Disaster Rebuild Team volunteers from across the nation, this event will highlight their contribution to recovery in the Gulf as well as the accomplishments of Habitat St. Tammany West and Gulf Coast affiliates active in recovery.