

Partner Family

Now more than ever, Help Build It!



Women Build 2017

The Anthony Family

“God is good” is the mantra that Lekeita Anthony has been following in her life even when she’s faced with difficulties. For the past seven years she’s been renting an apartment filled with unsafe living conditions such as loose floorboards, lack of insulated heating, a concave front porch, and holes in areas such as her driveway. With an unresponsive landlord, Lekeita has tried to make adjustments to her living situation, such as using her oven for heat during the winter, an extremely unsafe and hazardous practice. Lekeita is also faced with an hour long commute to her job as a Call Status Clerk for Met Data, and wishes she had a stable home closer to her work.

Frustrated with things not being repaired, she sought out Habitat for Humanity STW after a coworker, who recently attended homeownership classes, referred her to the organization. Seeing it as a sign from God, Lekeita saw her opportunity and applied for a Habitat home.

The Anthony Family is part of Women Build 2017. Women Build is a Habitat for Humanity International program that seeks to encourage women volunteers, without excluding men, to further the home building mission of Habitat for Humanity and positively impact the lives of children by making homeownership a reality for families.

Lekeita’s path to homeownership is fulfilling the mission of Women Build as she is not only working towards a home for herself but also a home to positively impact the life of her 18 year old son Jacquan. Jacquan attends Pearl River Community College and is majoring in Computer Science. An extremely hard worker, Jacquan lives on campus but returns home on the weekends to help Lekeita with her sweat equity hours.

“I’m excited, because it’s all new beginnings for my son. He’s starting college and he’ll be getting a new home too,” says Lekeita. “I want him to have a home that he always knows he can come back to.”

A lover of Pinterest and planning family events, Lekeita is beyond excited to host a party for her friends and family in a safe environment where they can have fun and make memories. “Home to me is peace, love, and family. Without that there’s nothing.” said Lekeita.

