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**City to Host Open House for Reconstructed Home using State Grant Funds**

**WHAT:**                       Open House for recently reconstructed house using State Housing Initiatives Partnership funds (also known as SHIP funds)

**WHO:**                         **City Commissioners, Habitat for Humanity Greater Orlando &**

**Osceola County and Vivian Brinson (homeowner)**

**WHEN:**                 Thursday, July 18 @ 9:30 a.m.

**WHERE: 604 Mann Street**

**Kissimmee, Florida 34741**

**WHY:**                         The City of Kissimmee and Habitat for Humanity Greater Orlando &

Osceola County will welcome back Vivian Brinson to her recently reconstructed home in Kissimmee with an open house event. Brinson applied to the rehabilitation program; however, the house built in 1962 was in disrepair, and it needed to be demolished and reconstructed. After six months, Brinson will come back to her new home, which consists of three bedrooms, two full baths, kitchen, living room, dining room, and utility room. The City of Kissimmee chose Habitat for Humanity as the partner to administer designated State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) funds in 2018 to demolish, permit, and construct homes within City limits. This rehabilitation project is one of two where SHIP funds will be used to reconstruct houses.

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