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Transylvania Habitat for Humanity Expands Helene Housing Recovery Efforts with Support from the Golden LEAF Foundation

Brevard, NC – Transylvania Habitat for Humanity is excited to announce the addition of Morgan Monshaugen as the new Construction Supervisor for Critical Home Repairs, a role made possible through generous funding from the Golden LEAF Foundation. Monshaugen will oversee essential home repairs exclusively for Transylvania County residents whose homes were severely impacted by Hurricane Helene, furthering Habitat's commitment to helping community members rebuild and recover.

"Welcoming Morgan to our team is a critical step in our mission to serve the residents of Transylvania County, many of whom are still struggling after the hurricane," said Angie Hunter, Executive Director of Transylvania Habitat for Humanity. "Thanks to the support from Golden LEAF, we're better equipped to address the urgent housing needs in our community, particularly for those who are still working to recover."

The Golden LEAF Foundation (Long-Term Economic Advancement Foundation) is a North Carolina-based nonprofit dedicated to fostering economic growth and resilience in the state's rural and economically distressed communities. Since its founding in 1999, Golden LEAF has strategically invested in initiatives that promote job creation, workforce development, agriculture, and disaster recovery efforts.

"Hurricane Helene ravaged the western part of our state," said Golden LEAF President, Chief Executive Officer Scott T. Hamilton. "Golden LEAF is making resources available to organizations to support immediate relief for individuals and families including home repair, addressing unmet needs, and helping transition out of temporary housing programs."

Through this funding, Transylvania Habitat can expand its home repair program, ensuring that more Hurricane Helene survivors have access to safe, stable housing.

Monshaugen brings three decades of experience in construction, specializing in new home builds, remodeling, and critical home repairs. He previously served as Home Repair Program Manager for Henderson County Habitat for Humanity and has a deep personal connection to the work.

"Growing up, I watched my grandparents' and great-grandparents' homes fall into disrepair," Monshaugen recalls. "Helping people get the critical repairs they need to remain in their homes is something I'm truly passionate about."

"There is still so much work to do to help our neighbors recover from this disaster," said Hunter. "This funding couldn't have come at a better time, and we are grateful for the opportunity to make a meaningful impact for survivors in their time of need."

How to Get Help

To learn more about Transylvania Habitat for Humanity's ongoing efforts to rebuild and restore hope in the community, visit www.transylvaniahabitat.org. Homeowners in need of critical repairs due to Hurricane Helene can contact Cathy Wood, Home Repair Program Manager, at (828) 862-5116 to apply.

About Transylvania Habitat for Humanity

Celebrating over 40 years of providing homes, communities, and hope, Transylvania Habitat for Humanity is a nonprofit organization dedicated to building and repairing safe, decent, and affordable housing. To learn more about homeownership opportunities, ReStore donations, or critical home repairs, visit www.transylvaniahabitat.org or call (828) 884-3464.