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Palouse Habitat for Humanity honors Avista with 2025 Habitat Hero Award

Moscow, Idaho (Thursday, March 13, 2025) — Palouse Habitat for Humanity is pleased to announce that Avista has been selected as the recipient of the 2025 Habitat Hero Award. Palouse HFH will recognize their work on behalf of affordable housing at Palouse Habitat’s annual fundraiser dinner and auction, Beans ‘n’ Jeans, on Saturday April 19th at the SEL Event Center in Pullman.

The Habitat Hero award is given annually to a business, individual or organization whose support has made a significant contribution to Habitat’s ability to meet the need for affordable housing around the Palouse region.

Jennifer Wallace, Executive Director, commented on Avista’s significant and longstanding support. “For the past 14 years Avista has partnered with Howard Hughes Appliance Television and Sleep Shop to donate Energy Star rated washers and driers for each Palouse Habitat home. With our recent Building for the Future purchase and renovation of the Habitat building, Avista sent a volunteer team to lend a hand with landscaping, and their lighting program ensured the interior lights were all upgraded to energy efficient LEDs. The Avista Foundation has awarded Habitat several grants which have helped support affordable home building, including support to help see Habitat and many other nonprofits through COVID.”

“Avista has committed to being a good neighbor and supports our regional community in many ways. We’re pleased to be able to honor them and thank them for all they do for our community and for Habitat.”

About Palouse Habitat for Humanity

Palouse Habitat for Humanity, the local affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International, builds affordable housing in Latah and Whitman counties. Its mission is to bring people together to build homes, communities, and hope. Construction on Habitat Home #24 will start this spring in Moscow, Idaho. Habitat homes are built with volunteer labor and help from the future homeowner. Habitat homeowners are selected based on need, willingness to help build the home (including up to 400 hours of “sweat equity”), and specific income criteria including the financial ability to purchase the home from Palouse Habitat after completing their partnership requirements. Palouse Habitat operates the ReStore, a thrift store which raises funds for home building while providing the community with an affordable source of home improvement and decor items.

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