



# **February Staff Update**

### Things happening in OUR community...

### **February Wellness Challenge**

A quick reminder that this quarter's wellness challenge is the Friends of the Seminole State Forest - Run for the Woods Event. The Event is being held on February 11, 2024 in Sorrento. There are 3 event options for you to choose from on this day:

5K Run/Walk 3.1 Miles 12K Run/ Hike 7.14 Miles Half Marathon Run/Walk 13.3 Miles

They are being held in some of Florida's most beautiful forests, so I encourage everyone to sign up and participate. The best part is Habitat will cover your registration fees and you will receive a T-shirt to wear for the event.

If you would like to register for the event, please contact Katy at katy@habitatls.org to sign up.

You have until February 5th to register!

#### **Registration Information**

Please include the following information in your registration email

- 1. Name
- 2. Address
- 3. Date of Birth
- 4. Phone Number
- 5. T-shirt Size
- 6. Which event you're choosing:
  - a.5K
  - b.12K
  - c. Half Marathon



### **Update Your Info**

If your address, phone number(s), and/or emergency contact(s) have changed, please call Laurie at (352) 483-0343 x134 to have it updated.

### Further Your Education with Habitat

Check out online courses available through ed2go! The course catalog can be found at <a href="https://www.ed2go.com/habitatls/">https://www.ed2go.com/habitatls/</a> or by clicking the "Training" button on the staff hub. Call Laurie at 352.483.0434, x134, if you want to register for a course. You can also share this link with your family and friends! They can register themselves at this link.

Speak to your supervisor about courses geared towards professional development, as the cost of these may be covered by Habitat. All other courses are available to staff members at cost.





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### **Our Habitat Family**

### **Happy Habi-Versary**

Lacie Himes - 5 years Kory King - 2 years Katy Black - 4 years

#### Welcome to the Team

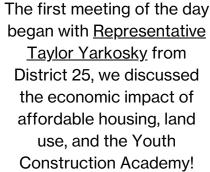
Michele Branam Reed - Accountant

### **Habitat at the Capitol**

Habitat Staff, Board Member Lee Owen, and Homeowner Dionna Alston spent the day in Tallahassee meeting with Lake and Sumter County elected officials about some of the issues and programs that matter most to Habitat Lake-Sumter's success. Here's a brief look at their day!









The second meeting of the day, we stopped by State Representative

John Temple's office (District 52) to discuss the future of affordable housing in Sumter County. We look forward to seeing Rep. Temple at a future dedication.



During the final meeting of the day, we spent time catching up with <u>State</u>

<u>Representative Keith Truenow</u> (District 26) and discussing the Community

Contribution Tax Credit Program

(CCTCP), a vital program that has enabled Habitat Lake-Sumter to double our housing production over the past 5 years.