

MCMO Charity Partner Gifts House to Fredericksburg Veteran

Building Homes For Heroes presented the house during the Healthy Lifestyle Expo Opening Ceremony

QUANTICO, Va. and Island Park, N.Y. (May 19, 2023) – The Marine Corps Marathon Organization (MCMO) Charity Partner, Building Homes for Heroes, had the pleasure of presenting a Fredericksburg Veteran with keys to a new home during the Healthy Lifestyle Expo Opening Ceremony this afternoon in Fredericksburg, Va., kicking off the weekend long festivities surrounding the Marine Corps Historic Half Events.

Army Sergeant Robert Scott III enlisted into the United States Army in February 2005 after directly experiencing the tragic terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001 in Manhattan, N.Y. He honorably served the country before being medically discharged in February 2012 due to injuries sustained in combat. Scott is cared for by his mother who resides in Fredericksburg with him.

The house was gifted to Scott by Building Homes for Heroes, Kettler and Hillwood Properties and Ryan Homes. The presentation included Kim Vesey, vice president and general counsel for Building Homes for Heroes, and Peter Olechnovich, vice president of land development with Kettler and Hillwood Properties.

“It’s an honor to gift the Scott family the keys to their new home at such a prestigious event so steeped in military history as the Marine Corps Historic Half,” said Vesey. “It’s a small token of our immense gratitude for the sacrifices made by Sergeant Scott in service to our country. We hope this brings him the stability and comfort he deserves.”

This year’s Marine Corps Historic Half Events are a salute to Veterans and First Responders and their shared risks and sacrifices.

All event information can be found at www.marinemarathon.com. For more information on Building Homes for Heroes, visit www.buildinghomesforheroes.org.

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Building Homes for Heroes builds and gifts mortgage-free homes, and completes home modifications for veterans, emergency first responders and their families, and provides further services along their road to recovery to help them live a promising and fulfilling life ahead. The organization reached a 95.19% program rating in 2021, the 10th straight year earning a program rating of at least 93%. It also received a perfect 4-star rating from Charity Navigator for six straight years, including a 100% in transparency and accountability. Since inception, Building Homes for Heroes has constructed, modified and gifted more than 320 homes, with support from corporations including Advance Auto Parts, Lowe’s and JPMorgan Chase. Learn more at buildinghomesforheroes.org/.