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Site Selection Committee

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General

The Site Selection Committee is working in two main areas. First to obtain lots for building Habitat houses. Second to find a property to move our office and store to.

Properties Owned

At the present time we own 19 vacant lots and have 4 others that are pending. We can build on those. We are going to put "For Sale" signs on five of the properties we own (or are about to own) that we will not build Habitat homes on. Attached is a complete list of lots and their status.

New Property Opportunities and Transactions

We have prepared a mailing to vacant lot owners in the county, asking for lot donations. The 5,000 letters are in the process of being mailed. Of the ones that have already gone out, we have had several offers and are looking at these lots to determine if we want them, either to build on or to sell.

We are obtaining three lots from the city of Crystal River. They are adjacent to each other and would require no clearing. We will build on them next year.

We have made an offer on the Suzuki dealership property, but do not yet have an answer. We are still on the lookout for other opportunities in the west side of the county.

Community Relationships

We are still working with Citrus County and the Affordable Housing Coalition to possibly acquire lots presently owned by Citrus County, that are designating for Affordable Housing. We have investigated the list of lots supplied by the county and have chosen 6 that we would accept. Terry Steele presented those 6 to a county representative who will present the list to the County Commission for approval.

Submitted by Roger Girson Chair of Site Selection Committee