## Blue Spruce Habitat for Humanity® Volunteer Spotlight: Pete Durfee

For over two years, Pete Durfee has been a dedicated new construction crew volunteer with Blue Spruce Habitat for Humanity (BSHFH).

His passion for Habitat's mission began years ago when he volunteered with Metro Denver Habitat for Humanity, an experience he loved. After moving to the Upper Bear Creek area and completing his own home, Pete sought another opportunity to give back. That's when he joined Luke and the BSHFH team – first at the Forest Estates home and now at the Idaho Springs Virginia Street townhomes.

"Working with Luke is a great experience in itself," Pete shares. "I know he has all the necessary details on his mind all the time, but he never shows stress or puts pressure on volunteers. BSHFH is lucky to have him – and so am I."



Pete is proud to be part of BSHFH as it evolves and grows to meet the needs of our mountain community. We are incredibly grateful for his dedication, energy, and heart for service!

Now retired, Pete finds immense joy and purpose in volunteering. "Getting to do active work that I enjoy, with a younger, energetic group of like-minded people, helps keep me young and in a positive mindset. It feels great to work with wonderful people, doing good things for those who need a hand up. It always puts me in a good mood on the days I work, and even when I'm not there, the satisfaction of giving back stays with me all week."



One of the most meaningful moments for Pete came at a recent home dedication. "The new homeowners gave incredibly emotional speeches, expressing their gratitude. It was a great reminder of the biggest reason I am there. I always tell my kids – when you're feeling a bit down, just go give back to society somewhere; it always makes you feel better. And when you're not down, it makes you feel great!"

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