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FUTURE HOMEOWNER PROFILE

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Latasha Darnell



Latasha grew up in East Nashville and is a graduate of Maplewood High School. She plans on making Nashville her permanent home.

When Latasha was growing up, her mother suffered a brain aneurysm and that experience inspired Latasha to pursue a career in nursing. Currently, she works as a dietician at Vanderbilt University Medical Center where she has been for the past five years. “I love my job,” Latasha says. “Caring for sick children and their families is fulfilling work.”

Latasha lived in a one-bedroom apartment but moved in with her godmother to be a support after a death in the family. Latasha has been the caregiver of her family, also caring for her mother after a recent stroke, and also a young nephew.

While searching for affordable housing, Latasha heard about Habitat for Humanity’s homeownership program from a co-worker who is also a Habitat homeowner. After applying for Habitat’s homeownership program, Latasha decided that she wanted to further her financial education and she enrolled in the Nashville Financial Empowerment Center for one-on-one counseling. She is pursuing homeownership because she wants her son to have the opportunity to grow up in a safer community. “I look forward to being a homeowner in the Nashville community,” Latasha says. “Becoming a homeowner is a dream of mine and I am grateful for that opportunity.”

“I would like to thank my sponsors for investing in my future and family because I understand that they do not have to do this. I look forward to having the opportunity to return the generosity in the future,” says Latasha.

- Latasha grew up in East Nashville and has worked as a dietician at Vanderbilt University Medical Center for five years. She plans to pursue a career in nursing.
- Latasha currently lives with her godmother and helps take care of her. Latasha is also caregiver to her mother and nephew.
- For Latasha, owning a home means a safer environment for her son to grow up and more financial security.
- In addition to participating in Habitat's homeownership classes, Latasha enrolled in the Nashville Financial Empowerment Center for one-on-one financial counseling to prepare for homeownership. Latasha will also attend Habitat's homeownership education classes.