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AutoNation, Habitat for Humanity make Florida mother's homeownership dream come true



AutoNation's Lisa Ryans (right) makes a presentation to Meucine Jean and her children during the dedication ceremony for the Jean family's new home in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Photo courtesy of AutoNation.

AutoNation delivered something even bigger than a vehicle to Meucine Jean.

Employees of the national vehicle retailer realized the Florida single mother of five's hopes by presenting her with the key to a brand-new home they helped build together through Habitat for Humanity of Broward.

In a news release, AutoNation said it contributed \$100,000 toward the project, in addition to the 300 hours put in by the company's volunteers, working alongside Jean and her family.

AutoNation's mobile service team also donated complimentary car care for her vehicle, to be performed at the Jean family's new residence.

The dedication ceremony for the house was held at BBI Village in Fort Lauderdale, a community AutoNation helped build during Habitat for Humanity of Broward's CEO Build in 2025 and 2026.

"On behalf of AutoNation, I congratulate Meucine for her determination and unwavering dedication to her family," said AutoNation vice president of corporate affairs and communications Lisa Ryans, a member of the Habitat for Humanity board. "We're honored to partner with Habitat for Humanity and proud to have played a role in helping make her dream of owning a home a reality."

Jean has worked as a registered nurse for Aetna/CVS since 2014, but her hope of homeownership was an uphill battle as her rent was more than half her income, AutoNation said, leaving little for savings.

"Family means everything to me, and I have dreamed of owning a home in a safe neighborhood where my children could play outside," Jean said.

Now, AutoNation said, Jean can carry forward her mother's legacy of resilience and hope, and commitment to education she grew up with in Miami's Little Haiti neighborhood, passing the principle of never giving up to her children.

AutoNation has partnered with Habitat for Humanity of Broward for more than 25 years, sponsoring six home builds and volunteering on many more. In the past year, AutoNation associates contributed more than 450 volunteer hours to help future homeowners and families transition from housing insecurity to homeownership.

"AutoNation's longstanding commitment to Habitat Broward continues to change lives and strengthen local communities in meaningful ways," Habitat for Humanity of Broward CEO and executive director Nancy Robin said. "Through their generosity, volunteerism and partnership over the past 25 years, families like Meucine Jean's are able to achieve the stability, security and hope that affordable homeownership makes possible."