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INJURED VETERAN GIVEN KEYS TO NEW MORTGAGE-FREE PULTE HOME
*PulteGroup's Built to Honor Program Joins Forces with H-E-B and Operation FINALLY HOME
To Honor Veteran's Service to Our Country*

TOMBALL, TEXAS – October 22, 2014 – An enthusiastic crowd celebrated with an injured veteran and his family as they received the keys to their new mortgage-free home today, courtesy of Pulte Homes, H-E-B, national and local trade partners and Operation FINALLY HOME.

Army Staff Sgt. Travis Palmer and his family were greeted by well-wishers who lined the street in front of their new home in the [Wimbledon Falls](#) community. Palmer was surprised in June with news that that they were selected to receive the home donation – and surprised again to find the home was fully furnished and stocked with many daily necessities.



“This very deserving veteran and his family got a fresh start today and we hope their new Pulte home will help provide them with many future happy memories,” said Lindy Oliva, president of PulteGroup’s Houston Division. The home is one of 20 new homes for wounded veterans the Company’s [Built to Honor](#) program plans to build across the nation in 2014. “We are incredibly grateful for the sacrifices Sgt. Palmer and so many others have made for our freedom. It is truly our honor to be a part of building the American dream for such a deserving family.”

Pulte Homes, H-E-B and dozens of local contractors, vendors and housing partners donated the labor and materials for the new 2,900-square-foot five bedroom, three bath home. The veteran applied for the home donation through Operation FINALLY HOME, which helps America’s military heroes and their families transition to the home front by addressing one of their most pressing needs—a home to call their own.

Staff Sgt. Travis Palmer joined the U.S. Army in 1992 and quickly proved himself, being promoted to Corporal after only 20 months of service. He received a myriad of commendations including two Purple Hearts, Meritorious Service Medal, six Army Commendation Medals, Army Commendation Medal with Valor, and 11 Army Achievement Medals. He survived two concussions and shrapnel wounds and continues to battle other injuries including post-traumatic stress disorder and degenerative joint disease in his spine, shoulders and knee. He and his wife, Toniek, and four children, have just moved to Houston where he plans to attend Universal Technical Institute and be close to extended family.

"Operation FINALLY HOME is truly honored to be working with PulteGroup in changing the lives of this worthy veteran and his family," said retired Sgt. Daniel Vargas, vice president of family matters and community outreach. "His commitment to our country and service is why we are so proud to work with PulteGroup, H-E-B and others to put these deserving veterans and their families in a better place."

About Built to Honor™

PulteGroup's Built to Honor™ program was launched in 2013 to recognize and thank returning military personnel who have been injured during their term of service by providing mortgage-free homes to veterans and their families. Built to Honor works in partnership with nonprofit organizations, such as Operation FINALLY HOME, to identify veteran candidates. Follow Built to Honor on Twitter: [@BuiltToHonor](https://twitter.com/BuiltToHonor).

About Operation FINALLY HOME

Operation FINALLY HOME was established in 2005 as a nonpartisan/nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization. The mission of Operation FINALLY HOME is to provide custom-built, mortgage-free homes to America's military heroes and the widows of the fallen who have sacrificed so much to defend our freedom and values. Operation FINALLY HOME partners with corporate sponsors, builder associations, builders, developers, individual contributors, and volunteers to help America's military heroes and their families transition to the home front by addressing one of their most pressing needs – a home to call their own. To find out more, visit OperationFinallyHome.org.

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