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## HOPE HAVEN OF EAST TEXAS HOLDS OFFICIAL GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY FOR LONG-TERM FOSTER HOME FOR TEEN GIRLS IN LINDALE

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Hope Haven of East Texas to hold an official groundbreaking ceremony at the site of it's new long-term home for teen foster girls Friday, January 22, 2016 at 11 a.m. Board members and honored guests will participate in the ceremony, to be held at the 6.4-acre tract located at 10829 FM 16, Lindale. In the event of rain, the ceremony will be held January 29, 2016 at 11 a.m.

The home, which is the first of it's kind in the area, will house 16 girls ages 13-17 who have been displaced in the foster care system.

"These will be girls who have been shuffled from place to place, with no place to call home," said Paul Christman, Hope Haven of East Texas Chairman. "Stability and security are concepts that are likely unknown to these girls, and are crucial to giving them a hope and a future."

The home will be constructed by Bayless Custom Homes and is anticipated to be complete by Fall 2016. Individual and corporate donors, in addition to a variety of annual fundraisers including The Showcase of the Stars event, Catwalk For A Cause, and a 5K Run Event have provided the funds required to begin the building process.

Donors are still being requested, and will have the opportunity to contribute in a variety of ways. These include two new fundraising campaigns, "Bricks for Her" and "Adopt-A-Room for Her." Individuals, companies and organizations can help build a special walkway or sponsor one of the girl's new rooms at the facility. For more information about these campaigns, or other ways to help or volunteer, please visit the Hope Heaven website at <a href="https://www.hhofet.org">www.hhofet.org</a>.

It is the mission of Hope Haven of East Texas, through partnership with churches and the community, to provide a safe and loving home environment, minister the love of Christ, and equip neglected, abused, and broken adolescent girls for a successful future!

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