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Habitat Spartanburg Taps Davis as New Leader

The Board of Directors of Habitat for Humanity of Spartanburg is pleased to announce the appointment of Raymond T. Davis, Sr. as the new Executive Director. He follows Dr. Leland G. Close, who served the organization for eight years, with his last year as the organization's interim director.

Raymond has been actively engaged in the Spartanburg community for more than 27 years, having served as the Chief Administrative Officer and Director of Housing and Resident Services for the Spartanburg Housing Authority, Executive Director of Glenn Springs Academy, Chief Operating Officer – Housing Development, Oikos Community Development, Inc., and Organizational Administrator, Vision 2 Destiny, LLC. He currently leads the Davis Consultation, a business and organizational restructuring and strategic planning consultation business with a principle focus on operational effectiveness and efficiency. In addition to his role as Executive Director of Habitat Spartanburg, Raymond will continue as the Senior Pastor of Willing Servant Ministries in Anderson, South Carolina.

"The Board wishes to express our deep appreciation to Lee for his many years of service, and look forward to having Raymond lead our organization into the next chapter of Habitat Spartanburg," states Russ Blackburn, Chairman of the Board. "Raymond's experience in the affordable housing arena in Spartanburg, as well has his commitment and passion to the mission of this organization, will enable Habitat to continue to grow and serve those within the Spartanburg community who aspire to home ownership."

Raymond and his wife, Freddie, have 2 adult children, Hannah Makenzie and Raymond Timothy, Jr., and reside in Spartanburg. He will begin his position on July 18, 2022.