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## **Mayor Rawlings-Blake Welcomes President and First Lady Carter to Baltimore**



*Former President and First Lady in town for Habitat for Humanity Work Project in East Baltimore.*

Today, Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake welcomed President Jimmy Carter and former First Lady Rosalynn Carter to Baltimore as they took part in the 27th Annual Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter Work Project. The Work Project is an intense week of building, rehabilitating, and repairing homes, which takes place in partnership with Habitat for Humanity in Maryland, Minnesota, Alabama, and Washington, D.C.

“I am grateful that Habitat for Humanity chose to make Baltimore a location for this year’s Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter Work Project,” said Baltimore Mayor Rawlings-Blake. “During the Carters’ week of service this fall, communities in Baltimore will be brought back to life, and families will have an opportunity to move into new affordable housing.”

In Baltimore, Habitat for Humanity of the Chesapeake will work directly on 10 houses in the Monument-McElderry-Fayette community, adjacent to the Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions. Habitat’s Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter Work Project will complete gut-rehabs of properties in this transitional neighborhood to act as stabilizers on blocks, increasing the success of renewal efforts in collaboration with the community. To date, HFHC has rehabilitated 40 houses in this community.

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