



Future Homeowners Carlesta Jones



Habitat for Humanity Williamson-Maury is pleased to announce the addition of the Jones family to our Homeownership Program.

Carlesta Jones is a native of Columbia, Tennessee and attended Columbia Central High School. She has three children: Lamanus, age 9; Jaseanti, age 5; and baby Courtney, 3 months.

“We have been in Columbia our entire lives, and I’m so happy that I have the chance to purchase a home for me and my children. My mother was never a homeowner, and my whole family is excited for me to take this big step.”

Ms. Jones has always enjoyed working with children and wants all kids to feel accepted and loved. “I dealt with many of challenges as a child, and don’t want any child to have to experience what I did. I had learning disabilities and honestly, growing up was very difficult for me. I was often teased and I did not have access to resources that might have helped me overcome my obstacles to learning. It has taken me a long time to handle the emotional distress I faced as a child. I still have a tough time reading and writing, but I do my best.”

Lamanus, Carlesta’s 9 year old son, is autistic and struggles at school and making friends. “In our current area, it is hard for him to go outside and play. Neighborhood children tease him, and it’s not easy. He also has a tendency to wander off, so I need to be with him at all times when he is outside to make sure he is okay. We look forward to having a fenced yard where Lamanus can get outside and stretch his legs without me hovering over him and worrying about him. I am very thankful for this opportunity and know it will be a great blessing for my children. Thank you one thousand times to everyone that is involved with my build!”

The Jones family home is set to commence on February 24, 2018. The dedication ceremony will take place on April 26th, 2018.