



# Charitable Home Builder

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It has been said that charity begins at home. Summit Homes has taken that philosophy and elevated to a new level. In addition to always building homes to a higher standard, President Fred Delibero also holds himself and his team to a higher standard when it comes to giving back to the communities they serve.

It's no secret Summit Homes is the largest new home builder in the metro area and has continually grown since its inception in 2002. Summit Homes is known for building quality homes based on innovative designs coupled with exceptional value. Above all, this team of experts also provides unparalleled customer service. But it doesn't just stop there. Summit Homes is a proud partner with St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and has been participating in the Dream Home Giveaway program since 2011. Since that time Summit Homes has built six homes over the course of seven years, raising a total of \$6 million for St. Jude.

"This is the single largest supporting program for St. Jude fundraising," noted Whitney Rinne, Marketing Manager. "And

we couldn't do our part without our amazing trade partners, vendors and suppliers." As an extension of the St. Jude Dream Home Giveaway Program, the St. Jude Dream Home Showplace supports St. Jude with its mission to save lives and find cures for devastating childhood cancer and other catastrophic diseases.

This year's Dream Home Showplace is located in the premier Reserve at Stoney Creek community in Lee's Summit, Missouri.



The check presentation for St. Jude was done in June and was certainly one for the record books.

"We donated all of the proceeds — \$718,000 — from the sale of this home to St. Jude," said Rinne. The home, which sold for \$650,000, led Summit Homes to be recognized as a Zero Hero Builder, which means Summit

builds the home at zero cost with all labor and materials donated. In order to raise additional funds, a poker tournament and a golf tournament were held to offset any hard costs.

"The Rob Ellerman Team with ReeceNichols, which markets all of our Summit Exclusive Communities, organizes and hosts both



tournaments. Their support of this program is invaluable," noted Rinne, also referencing Summit Homes as the only St. Jude Dream Home Builder in Kansas City, Missouri.

While in past years \$100 raffle tickets were sold for the Dream Home, this year's approach was decidedly different. After the home was built, it was put on the market, and once sold, all of the proceeds were donated to St. Jude. The home sold in 16 days, which might seem shocking by some standards, but given the quality and value Summit Homes provides, it truly is no surprise, as this company's reputation has always been admired and upheld.

"We are proud to be a part of the real estate community in Kansas City," expressed Rinne. "And we're proud that our participation in the Dream Home Showplace helps raise awareness and support for St. Jude's lifesaving work."

However, Summit Homes does not participate in this endeavor simply to enhance its already established reputation. Summit Homes does this because it perfectly aligns with the company's mission to give back to the community and to help organizations focused on helping families and children.

"St. Jude treats families in Kansas City, and some of those families live in our homes," noted Rinne, emphasizing St. Jude relies heavily on private donations to extend free treatment, travel, food and lodging to its patients and families.

The 2017 Dream Home Showplace is a one-of-kind show stopper. This 4,620 square foot, two-story contemporary Lexington plan has five bedrooms and six bathrooms, but it is the premium

upgrades that truly make it award-winning. With a finished lower level, there is ample space for entertaining as it is complete with a wet bar, wine cellar, home theater and fitness room coupled with a Sunlight dry sauna. The kitchen on the main level is a chef's delight, with its quartz waterfall island and party prep zone, along with a Bosch warming drawer, Kohler Farmhouse sink and copious

amounts of counter and storage space easily accessed (and hidden!) behind a sliding barn door. An upstairs loft also provides more gathering space for family and friends. A luxurious owner's suite with upgraded amenities such as upgraded plush carpet padding, separate vanities, custom tiled shower, and a free standing tub makes this

home a peaceful place to relax and escape every day stress.

Staged in partnership with Crowley Furniture, which donated all of the furniture for use when the home was on the market, Summit Homes' in-house designer, Darrell Naeger, provided all of the design in collaboration with several trade partners who donated items to be used in the design of the home. ■



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