

# PERRY HOMES

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### **PERRY HOMES PARTNERS WITH BUILDING HOMES FOR HEROES AND HILLWOOD COMMUNITIES TO CONSTRUCT HOME FOR WOUNDED VETERAN**

*Specially-Designed Home to be Built in Wolf Ranch Development by Hillwood Communities*

AUSTIN — Perry Homes, Building Homes for Heroes, and Hillwood Communities today announced their first-ever partnership to construct a specialized home in Wolf Ranch, a master-planned development by Hillwood Communities, for an Army veteran who was severely injured while serving overseas. Army Sgt. Kristopher Biggs lost his left leg and suffered a traumatic brain injury during an attack in Iraq in 2007, and will receive one of 40 mortgage-free homes donated to injured soldiers this year through the Building Homes for Heroes organization. Sgt. Biggs was awarded the Purple Heart, among many other prestigious honors, for his dedication and service.

Located in Georgetown along the banks of the San Gabriel River and less than a mile from the intersection of Hwy 29 and I-35, the Wolf Ranch community offers beautiful first-class amenities. Wolf Ranch residents have exclusive access to a state-of-the-art amenity center, a resort-style infinity edge pool, pocket green spaces & parks, miles of scenic hiking trails, a playground, a large indoor lounge and kitchen area, an impressive outdoor patio and grilling area, and an onsite lifestyle program with scheduled activities for its residents year-round.

“Perry Homes is so proud to be partnering for the first time with Building Homes for Heroes to give back to this brave, selfless hero who sacrificed greatly for our country,” said Chris Little, Perry Homes City President, Austin/San Antonio. “Perry Homes has long supported veterans in need through the construction of beautifully-designed homes, modified to enable these former servicemen and women to thrive on their own. To date we’ve built and donated eleven homes to well-deserving military families through other organizations who also provide homes for veterans. We are honored to offer Sgt. Biggs with a new home that will be carefully designed and specifically crafted for his individual needs.”

Perry Homes will be working closely with Building Homes for Heroes to design a handicap-accessible 1,800 sq. ft. home featuring three bedrooms, two bathrooms, a home office, and an extended covered patio. Some adaptations include wider hallways, custom kitchen cabinetry, a modified primary bathroom shower, and other safety features designed specifically for Sgt. Biggs.

“Having a brand-new home fitted to my specific needs is a dream come true, and I could not be more appreciative of the great work Perry Homes and Building Homes for Heroes are doing for wounded veterans in this country,” said Sgt. Biggs. “They’re not just building new homes for veterans – they are building futures. I’m grateful beyond words for the opportunity to rebuild my life and my future after losing my leg, and this new home will allow me to do that as independently as possible. This kind of compassion touches your soul, and it motivates you to keep moving forward beyond every obstacle.”

The local Perry Homes construction management team holds a personal stake in building this new home for Sgt. Biggs. Project Manager Artie Ellis, an Army veteran himself, will be the lead supervisor on the construction of the home and will oversee every special modification needed for Sgt. Biggs. The official groundbreaking of the new home is slated for August, with a final completion date expected later this year.

“I have a deep sense of pride for this country. While in the Army, I discovered my passion for effective leadership in high-pressure situations,” said Ellis. “My time with Perry Homes has provided me the opportunity to expand my leadership skills to support my team, allowing us to accomplish something that we can all be proud of each day. Being able to build this home for a fellow soldier gives me a unique opportunity to put my patriotism into action yet again and create a place where Sgt. Biggs and his family can make great memories for years to come.”