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Habitat for Humanity Waukesha plans to purchase former Aeroshade property for 16 homes

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Habitat for Humanity of Waukesha County plans to purchase 3.58 acres in Waukesha at the former Aeroshade factory in order to build 16 single-family homes and two duplexes over three years beginning in 2023. The land has been for sale since 2017.

Habitat Waukesha will present its plans to the city Plan Commission meeting on April 27.

The land is located south of the Waukesha bike trail near Buchner Pool between Oakland and Greenfield avenues.

The organization has received community support to advance the project, including support from the city of Waukesha, the Waukesha County Business Alliance, United Way of Greater Milwaukee & Waukesha County, Tim O'Brien Homes and Waukesha County Community Foundation.

Habitat Waukesha will work with Waukesha-based developer Tarantino & Co. on this project, which Habitat Waukesha CEO



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Melissa Songco said will provide workforce housing for more families in Waukesha.

"Our work at the former YWCA and on White Rock Avenue has prepared us for a project of this magnitude," Songco said in a press release. "The Aeroshade neighborhood is a wonderful community for families to bike, bus or even walk to work or school using the beautiful bike trail."

Tarantino & Co. will assist in the acquisition, site preparation and infrastructure of the former Aeroshade property.

"As a local employer of over 800 employees," Tarantino & Co. founder James Tarantino said in the release, "we have our own workforce housing challenges and hope this model can be duplicated across the state."

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