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County Purchases Land In Forks Township For Affordable Housing

By Becky Bartlett

EASTON - Lamont McClure and the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) announce that the County, along with Habitat for Humanity of the Lehigh Valley, has purchased two separate tracts of land totaling 11 acres in Forks Township to be used for affordable housing.

The County paid \$1 million for the land with Habitat for Humanity providing \$300,000 for a total purchase price of \$1.3 million. A fair market appraisal indicated that the two parcels have a combined value of \$3.9 million. The Sellers sold the property below fair market value

> as an "in kind" contribution to Habitat for Humanity

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the Lehigh Valley. County Council approved the purchase at their meeting on November 3rd.

"Lack of affordable housing is one of the biggest problems we have in Northampton County today," says Lamont McClure. "It's important that the County does what it can to support these kinds of developments so the people who work here can afford to live

Habitat for Humanity of the Lehigh Valley plans to construct 50 affordable housing units on the property.



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