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Maria has been a teacher for more than 15 years. Currently she works at a Catholic school in South Central Los Angeles. She has also volunteered her time as a Sunday school teacher at her parish. Ricardo is a U.S. Navy Veteran who now works as a warehouse lead. Maria's oldest daughter, Krystal, enjoys science and would like to go to college to become a counselor. Julia is a Little League baseball player who loves solving math problems. Ricardo's son, Elih, plays football for his high school team and his daughter, Arianna, is very involved in the performing arts.

The Rendon's have fully embraced the concept of sweat equity and feel like it is allowing them to have a hand in making their dream of homeownership a reality. "Partnering with Habitat for Humanity has given our children the opportunity to learn about hard work and having goals to work toward."