



## **A new computer for a new home**

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CHARLOTTE -- About a dozen homeowners in the Habitat for Humanity program are getting new computers this weekend

Darlene Cunningham, one of a handful of recipients of a computer with internet access, said the service will change her life.

"[It will help me] overcome some of my obstacles. As far as getting a better job, I think this is going to be a great way to do it," said Cunningham. "It makes me feel really, really happy. I've been wanting it for a really long time. And there's a lot of things I can do on the computer."

The brand new computers are donated from Dell, and AT&T is throwing in two years of internet service. About a dozen students from UNC Charlotte, Winthrop University and the Bertie County Family Resource Center helped install the machines, free of charge.



UNCC will be offering classes to teach the homeowners how to use their new computers.

"Any opportunity where we can get these folks connected to the internet and get this technology into their homes, it's just going to better prepare them for the future," said Clark Curtis of UNCC.

Volunteers hope the new technology will help open doors for those who are less fortunate.

"Obviously if you have access to more resources, you're always going to have an advantage," said UNCC student Malcolm Kennedy. "And that's what internet and computers does, it gives you access to multiple resources."

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