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## Prisoners build houses for needy NSW families

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**Inmates at the Junee Correctional Centre in the New South Wales Riverina region are being rehabilitated through a unique building project.**

The jail has been involved in the Habitat for Humanity project, which builds houses for families in need.

In an Australian first, the first houses to be fully built inside the jail are ready to be handed over to the two Riverina families.

The Habitat for Humanity project was initiated at the Junee Correctional Centre two years ago.

The program allows inmates to obtain building certificates through the Riverina TAFE.

The jail's Offender Services Manager Trevor Coles says it has brought about tremendous changes in the inmates.

"It's not just about repaying their debt to society, they can do something extra by building this house," he said.

Mr Coles says a single mother with two sons will receive the jail's first completed house.

"They're looking at the 15th or 16th of this month when the occupants will be able to move in.

"The second house is finished and at lock-up stage here at the Junee Correctional Centre.

"It's ready to be moved, the piers have been all set down, so we're just waiting for the house movers and we'll have two on site in the community."

It is hoped the second home will be ready to move into by April.



PHOTO: Inmates at the Junee Correctional Centre have built two houses for needy families.

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