



HomeAid
Houston

HOMEAID CARE PROJECT OFFERS HOPE TO HOMELESS VETS

Currently, Houston does not have a shelter or facility specifically targeting female veterans. But as the fourth largest metropolitan area in the nation, Houston's female veterans are undoubtedly in need of permanent housing that caters to their unique needs.

Project Independence, a HomeAid Care project, is giving back to 23 women who selflessly gave to our country by serving overseas. These women have returned to Houston in need of shelter and a hand up in transitioning back into society. The Project Independence team will renovate and restore five apartments and two common area bathrooms for Santa Maria's Spring Branch location. These apartments will welcome 23 homeless female veterans October 1, and will be used to assist Santa Maria in efforts to support and serve future veterans.

The mission of Santa Maria is to empower women and their children to become alcohol and drug free and is committed to providing services for community improvement and enrichment. It is the largest multi-site substance abuse treatment center serving both women and their children in the State of Texas. Over the past five years, Santa Maria has treated over 5,000 women.

HomeAid is partnering with the GHBA Remodelers Council. Remodelers and associates will work in teams to demolish and completely refurbish the apartment bathrooms. In addition, designers will work with each team to "beautify" the apartments, providing fresh paint, new linens, storage solutions and special touches. Each designer is registering at Bed, Bath and Beyond and the public is encouraged to access the Project Independence registry, either at the store or online. The registry can be accessed through <http://tinyurl.com/ProjectIndependenceRegistry>.

Associates are encouraged to participate in "Demolition Day," on Saturday, September 11, from 9 am until 1 pm. Please email Karen Krenek at kkrenek@ghba.org to sign up and receive location details. Lunch will be provided on demo day by Venetian Blinds and Floors.

Take a minute. Go to www.homeaidhouston.org

TEAM LEADERS

Phil Messarra, MasterCraftsman, Remodelers Council Charity Chair

Leslie King, Greymark Construction, HomeAid Care Chair

Wayne Ball, Lone Star Bldg & Constr.

Gil Boyles, GB General Contractors

John Gillette, Craftsmanship by John

Gonzalo Garcia, JRG Builders and Remodelers

Bill Shaw, Wm. Shaw and Associates

Rob Hellyer, Premier Remodeling and Construction LP

Allen Griffin, Gryphon Builders

DESIGNERS

Peggy Fuller, Kimberly Wardell and Cindy Aplanalp of By Design Interiors

Elizabeth Dinges, Interior Design Society

Lynne Jones, Lynne Jones Designs

Larrissa Michaels, Gryphon Builders

VENDORS AND SUPPLIERS

1-800-Mattress

Bolfing Brothers

CJ Permits

Ferguson

Gulf and Basco

Lighting Unlimited

Master Tile Company

Mobile Modular

Sherwin-Williams Paint Co.

Venetian Blinds and Floors



Photo 1 (at top): Kay Austin with Santa Maria, Bette Moser, executive Director of HomeAid Houston; Beth Avalos, HomeAid board member and Phil Messarra, MasterCraftsman.

Photo 2: Leslie King, HomeAid board member and Phil Messarra taking measurements at the facility.

Photo 3: Project Independence wrist bands are given out for a \$5 donation. Funds benefit the project.

Photo 4: Female veterans returning from overseas who face homelessness are given hope through Project Independence.

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HOMEAID HOUSTON TO LAUNCH VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA PROJECT

HomeAid Houston and Builder Captain Camden Builders are preparing to break ground on a two acre parcel of land near I-45 and Tidwell that is owned by Volunteers of America (VOA). Camden and a team of vendors donating materials and services will construct a 22,000 sq. ft. residential facility for women and children. Mark Atkins, AIA, Masa Studio, will be the project's architect.

The location is called the McGovern Campus and currently serves and supports women and their children who are overcoming addiction and homelessness. The new facility will increase the capacity of the campus from 90 to 150 beds, and will provide child care, classrooms and clinician office space.

Serving Houstonians for more than 90 years, VOA Texas Inc.'s mission is "Serving individuals in need, strengthening families and building communities." They provide a range

of services including substance abuse treatment and housing for women and their children, parenting classes for families, prevention and youth development programs in the schools, programs for the developmentally disabled and affordable housing.

Builder Captain Camden Builders estimates the cost of the project to be \$2.5 million.

The groundbreaking is targeted for late 2010 with construction officially starting the second quarter of 2011.

Our mission: To build dignified housing where homeless families & individuals can rebuild their lives.

CALENDAR



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OF EVENTS

SEPT 11

Project Independence Demolition Day

SEPT 24

CB Richard Ellis Day of Caring at Santa Maria

COMING SOON

Dedication of Montgomery County Youth Services with Builder Captain Grand View Builders

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Dedication of Project Independence with Builder Captains from the GHBA Remodelers Council