

TRENDMAKER JOINS HOMEAID AND ASTROS ON PROJECT PLAYHOUSE

February 9, 2011 –HomeAid Houston (HAH), a Greater Houston Builders Association (GHBA) charity and the Houston Astros are partnering with award-winning builder Trendmaker Homes on the 2011 Project Playhouse. Trendmaker Homes has designed this year’s playhouse that will raise funds for Houston’s homeless. The unveiling of the playhouse rendering is scheduled for April.

This is the fifth year that HomeAid and the Houston Astros will be launching Project Playhouse. The fund raiser is centered on a baseball theme and raises funds to help build transitional housing for the area’s homeless. The playhouse is typically displayed at Minute Maid Park during Astros home stands in July and August and other events during May and June. Trendmaker, lead by Eva Brunell, will construct the home with donated materials and services from GHBA members.

A second playhouse similar to the first, will also be constructed by Trendmaker for the annual Astros Wives Gala, “Black Ties And Baseball Caps”. It will be auctioned off to raise money for the Houston Area Women’s Center.

“The HomeAid /Astros partnership has been hugely successful in raising awareness and much needed funds for transitional housing for Houston’s homeless men, women and children,” said Parke Patterson, president of HomeAid Houston’s board of directors. “Last year Project Playhouse raised \$57,000. This solid partnership is further enhanced as Trendmaker Homes comes onboard this year to design and build our fifth playhouse. The commitment by both the Astros and Trendmaker to help Houston’s homeless, and their vision for the future, inspires everyone who is fortunate to be affiliated with such a network of professionals.”

HomeAid Houston, a 501 c 3, works to provide shelter for the homeless in the greater Houston area with the help of partners and volunteers. Since 2003, HomeAid Houston has added 400 beds to the Houston homeless community, providing days and nights of care for over 4800 men, women and children.

For more information on HomeAid Houston visit www.homeaidhouston.org