

## **HOMELESS FEMALE VETERANS TO BENEFIT FROM HOMEAID PROJECT**

April 22, 2009 – HomeAid Houston, the charitable arm of the Greater Houston Builders Association, is moving forward on a 30 unit permanent supportive housing project for U.S. Veterans Initiative (US VETS). The project benefits homeless female Veterans and their children.

US VETS reports that there are between 225,000 – 250,000 homeless veterans on the streets of the U.S. every night. The National Coalition for Homeless Veterans estimates between 6,600 and 14,000 of those homeless veterans are women. The goal and mission of the US VETS-Houston Women’s ADVANCE Program is to successfully integrate as many homeless women veterans as possible to their highest level of independence as rapidly as possible. This is made possible through various programs including support groups, services and education.

“We are excited to be partnering with our friends at US VETS, and Woman, Inc.,” said Bette Moser, executive director of HomeAid Houston. “The other exciting element to this new project is the partnership we also finalized with Steve Hefner and Bobby Rivers of Camden Builders who will be the Builder Captains for this exciting construction project. These women have served our country,” added Moser, “many of them just need a hand up as they get back into society and work to become productive members of the community.”

Woman, Inc. is a not-for-profit corporation structured as a community housing development organization with the express purpose of developing affordable housing opportunities for women. The organization helped bring the project to HomeAid Houston. The 30-unit permanent housing structure will provide 120 beds.

Camden Builders in Houston provides a range of project services which include pre-development services, design/build, general contracting, construction management and project management.

Camden Builders is committed to optimizing the balance between cost, design, quality, marketability, and operational efficiency for each project - regardless of size. In doing so, they combine the resources of a substantial organization with the personal services of a professional manager.

“This new HomeAid project has brought together a strong, professional team,” said Chris Hawkins, president of the Board of Directors for HomeAid Houston. “Camden Builders’ involvement will ensure this important project benefits so many lives, both women and children alike. We are looking forward to breaking ground later this year.”

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