



Together, we can rebuild homes, rebuild neighborhoods and rebuild lives!

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Annual Workday Will Cap Off Over 225 Repairs This Year!

Volunteers for Rebuilding Together Tulsa will repair eight homes throughout Tulsa on April 26, 2008

(For Immediate Release -- Tulsa, Oklahoma) Rebuilding Together Tulsa, a local non-profit organization, will rally more than 300 volunteers to help fix up eight neighborhood homes in need of repair on April 26, 2008. Volunteers will begin their work at 8:30 a.m. and will conclude by 4:00 p.m. Repairs will include carpentry, roofs, drywall, home modifications, trash removal, paint and much more.

In addition to the homes being repaired on the Annual Workday, Rebuilding Together Tulsa volunteers have repaired 225 homes this year. Many of these home repairs were related to the December 2007 ice storm. Rebuilding Together Tulsa makes home repairs year-round for Tulsa homeowners. The Annual Workday is the largest volunteer event for Rebuilding Together Tulsa which brings together local corporations, churches and civic organizations to make home repairs. Volunteers begin their preparation with training meetings in February.

“The tremendous generosity of donors and the work of over 300 dedicated and caring volunteers on the Annual Workday will provide a safe, secure and weatherproof home for eight deserving homeowners this year,” said Jennifer Barcus-Schafer, Rebuilding Together Tulsa Executive Director. For the 11th Annual Workday, **Bank of America** has partnered with

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Rebuilding Together Tulsa as the *Title Sponsor*. Brad Burkhalter, Bank of America Senior Vice President said, “Bank of America is excited once again to partner with Rebuilding Together Tulsa to serve the Tulsa Community. Rebuilding Together Tulsa is a non-profit organization with a proven track record for making a real difference in the community by preserving and revitalizing homes and neighborhoods for low income homeowners.”

Rebuilding Together Tulsa, organized locally in 1997, relies on local volunteers and corporate sponsors to help refurbish homes in area neighborhoods. Each year the Annual Workday takes place on the last Saturday in April. The Tulsa chapter is a part of the national organization that repairs homes in 480 cities and towns across the nation.

Rebuilding Together Tulsa solicits house applications through social service agencies and neighborhood associations. The homes are selected following a personal visit by Rebuilding Together Tulsa committee members to determine need and extent of work. All work is done free of charge to the homeowner.

For more information on house sponsorships or locations for photographs or interviews, please contact **Jennifer Barcus-Schafer 742-6241 x4**

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