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### **Rebuilding Together Tulsa and State Farm to Participate in 2006 Community Build Day on August 5, 2006.**

August 2, 2006 – **Rebuilding Together Tulsa and State Farm** is proud to announce its participation in the fifth annual financial services industry's Community Build Day. In honor of this five-year anniversary, this year's theme is "50 Builds in 50 Days." A total of 43 member companies of The Financial Services Roundtable have committed to help build/repair homes in 45 cities across the United States, as well as participate in other activities aimed at bettering the communities which our companies serve. National partners for the 2006 Community Build Day, include Habitat for Humanity, NeighborWorks® America, Rebuilding Together, America's Promise, USA Freedom Corps, and the Points of Light Foundation.

"Community Build Day demonstrates to the public how the financial services industry works 365 days a year to improve the cities which they serve," said Steve Bartlett, President and CEO of The Financial Services Roundtable. "The member companies of the Roundtable are competitors in the marketplace, but this day shows our cooperation in the community."

Locally, **State Farm** has partnered with **Rebuilding Together Tulsa** to repair two homes for low-income seniors. Homeowners Mr. Hill and Ms. Ogden live next door to each other and are father and daughter. Their homes are receiving a new roof, exterior paint and yard clean-up which will make their homes more safe, secure and weatherproof and improve their Tulsa neighborhood. Exterior paint will take place on August 5, 2006.

**Congressman John Sullivan** will arrive at **10:00 a.m.** help volunteers paint Mr. Hill and Ms. Ogdens' homes. "Homeownership is a cornerstone of our communities. Helping persons stay in their home benefits everyone. We need to support efforts that improve neighborhoods and enhance quality of life for individuals and society in general" said Sullivan.

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State Farm has worked with Rebuilding Together Tulsa on several home restorations since 2001. “State Farm is proud to continue our partnership with Rebuilding Together Tulsa to advance homeownership and loss prevention” said spokesperson Kelly Dunkerley.

This year marks the fifth annual Community Build Day. Stanley R. Ommen, President and CEO of State Farm Bank, is the 2006 Community Build Day Chairman. The National Co-Sponsors for the 2006 Community Build Day are: ACE Group, AEGON USA, American General Financial Services, Citigroup, Countrywide Financial Corporation, LaSalle Bank Corporation, New Century Financial Corporation, Raymond James, State Farm®, Synovus, UnumProvident, U.S. Bancorp, Wachovia, Washington Mutual, and Wells Fargo.

The Financial Services Roundtable represents 100 of the largest integrated financial services companies providing banking, insurance, and investment products and services to the American consumer. In our latest Community Involvement Survey, financial services companies donated or raised nearly \$1.21 billion in direct charitable contributions, and employees donated 5.2 million volunteer hours, the equivalent of a workforce of 2,600 people.

Rebuilding Together Tulsa repairs homes year-round for low-income homeowners who are over 60 or living with a disability. For more information or to request an application, homeowners can call **742-6241 x1**.

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