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Rockwall Area Habitat for Humanity Invites Volunteers and Donors to Help Build a Home for the Culp Family

ROCKWALL, TEXAS, January 23, 2009 — On January 31, the Rockwall Area Habitat for Humanity (RAHFH) is jump starting its 15th year by beginning construction on a new home at 928 Joe Bailey Street in Royse City. The nonprofit group invites individuals, churches, organizations and businesses of Rockwall County, Royse City and surrounding communities to join in the effort.

The RAHFH is a Christian housing ministry that leverages private donations and volunteer labor to build homes for families who might not otherwise afford one. RAHFH sells each home at cost and provides zero interest financing to qualified families. The house at 928 Joe Bailey will be the 23rd home constructed since the local group originated in 1994.

The group plans to complete the 3 bedroom home by June; however, the schedule is dependent upon the cooperation of the weather, as well as the number of volunteers who assist in the construction. That's where you come in!

Volunteers and Contributions Needed

Volunteer construction work will take place from 8:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. each Saturday, weather permitting, beginning January 31 until the home is completed. No building experience is required! In fact, the only criterion is volunteers must be at least 16 years of age. Volunteers are invited to share any amount of time they have available on any given Saturday. Beverages and are lunch are provided.

If picking up a hammer or a paint brush isn't your cup of tea, consider donating lunch or bottled water, sports drinks and soda for the volunteers. Donors will be recognized on the RAHFH's Web site, as well as in the group's newsletter. For more information about donating your time, food or beverages, please contact RAHFH's volunteer coordinator, Mike Humphrey, at volunteer.coordinator@yahoo.com.

Another way to get involved is to make a tax deductible cash donation. Donors can rest assured that 100 percent of their cash contributions will be used to build homes for families in need. For more information, please contact the RAHFH's fundraising director, Carol Proffer, at carolproffer@sbcglobal.net.

"Whether you share your time, talents or pocketbook, your generosity is greatly appreciated. We urge all members of the community to get involved in our worthwhile efforts," said Jim Beebe, president of the RAHFH.

Know of a Family in Need?

The Rockwall Area Habitat for Humanity is currently seeking applicants for additional homes to be built in 2009. Please visit www.rockwallhabitat.org or call 972.771.6909.

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