



WBC Rebuilding Together Project

On April 26th thousands of low-income homeowners, including a fortunate WBC recipient, had something to celebrate. Rebuilding Together, the nation's leading nonprofit working to preserve affordable homeownership and revitalize communities undertook the 20th annual National Rebuilding Day. More than 200 Rebuilding Together affiliates across the country, with thousands of volunteers, rehabilitated and improved the homes of low-income Americans at no cost. Recipients of services included the elderly, disabled, military veterans and families in need.

This year the WBC Community Services Committee proudly adopted a Rebuilding Together house located in Fairfax, Virginia. The split level single family home was built in 1955 and was in dire need of interior and exterior repairs and improvements. The extremely appreciative homeowner was disabled due to metastatic cancer and related chemotherapy treatments. Special thanks go to House Captain Winona Leaman (Greenman-Pederson), Co-Captain Rob Wenger (Foulger-Pratt Contracting) and Volunteer Coordinator Anne Marie Tombros (Exponent) who went well above and beyond

the call of duty to pull off this amazing transformation. Thank you also to all of the wonderful volunteers and supporters of this worthy community service project.

Rebuilding Together is the leading national volunteer organization working in partnership with communities to rehabilitate owner-occupied low-income housing. Nationally, Rebuilding Together programs have rehabilitated over 105,000 homes and non-profit facilities using almost 2.5 million volunteers. Rebuilding Together provides home repairs free of charge and gives priority to those low-income households with older adults, persons with disabilities or families with children.

With the efforts of more than 55,000 community volunteers, Fairfax County Rebuilding Together affiliate RPJ Housing has repaired over 2,000 homes and nonprofit facilities since it began sponsoring the program in 1988. This neighbor-helping-neighbor approach unites 2,000 skilled and unskilled volunteers from diverse backgrounds with 55 low-income homeowners and nonprofit organizations each year. Volunteers are able to make both major and minor repairs and renovations that result in life changing improvements for the homeowners and organizations served. **B**

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PVB Volunteers Rebuild Home

For the past several years, WBC member Potomac Valley Brick of Rockville, MD, has been involved with the Rebuilding Together program. This year, in addition to a monetary gift and pick-up truck provided by PVB President/Owner Alan Richardson, PVB volunteered to be assigned a home project. Their team was headed by Tom Mitchell, Architectural Sales Representative, Dave Richardson, Saw Operations Manager, and Karli Simmons, Administrative Assistant.

This year's project was a duplex home owned by an elderly lady whose husband lives in a nursing home. In the near future she will have a major knee surgery, so the majority of the project scope focused on enhancing the property's safety and accessibility. The work included installing interior and exterior hand railings; extensive interior and exterior painting and prep work; bathroom upgrades; installing kitchen, bathroom, and bedroom GFI outlets; repairing broken door knobs, fans and lighting fixtures; repairing a foundation crack to prevent water leakage into the basement; and cleaning and installing new gutters. PVB's group of volunteers also worked to increase the aesthetic features of the home, including gardening and landscaping; installing pergo dining rooms floors and laminate kitchen floors; and hanging new curtains, Venetian blinds, and vertical blinds.

