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MEDIA ADVISORY

WHAT: Through grants from Wells Fargo and Home Depot, Medic Ambulance, Recology

Vallejo, Valero Benicia Refinery and CSAA, Rebuilding Together Solano County (RTSC) will be holding a volunteer workday at the home of a veteran widow in honor

of September 11th.

WHEN: Wednesday, September 11, 2024

WHERE: 100 block of Pacific Court, Vallejo, CA 94589

8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

WHY: Home health and safety is essential for low-income military, veteran, and senior

homeowners to remain in their own home—safely and with dignity.

In sponsorship with **Wells Fargo** and **Home Depot**, Rebuilding Together Solano County (RTSC) is pleased to announce our upcoming 09/11/2024 workday to provide necessary health and safety repairs for a low-income veteran widow and three minor grandchildren that she is the guardian. RTSC has coordinated an annual veteran community project on September 11th since 2010.

This workday is made possible due to our generous premier sponsors, **CSAA**, **HOME DEPOT**, **MEDIC AMBULANCE**, **RECOLOGY VALLEJO**, **VALERO BENICIA REFINERY** and **WELLS FARGO** as well as our additional donors including Cal Maritime Academy, Construction Concierge, Costco Vallejo, M & M Sanitation LLC, Minuteman Press, Paul Carpenter Plumbing, Phillips 66, Travis AFB, Young's Arborist Tree Care / Harim (Michael) Jeon and other community supporters.

"It is very heartwarming that Rebuilding Together Solano County and the workday sponsors (Wells Fargo and Home Depot) and other workday donors can join together to make a lasting and visible difference for another veteran / military homeowner in Solano County," said Elizabeth Hoffman, Executive Director, Rebuilding Together Solano County. "Wells Fargo has been instrumental in donating the funding and volunteers to allow the necessary home repairs for more than 28 veteran households in Solano County."

"Throughout the years, Wells Fargo has supported military service members and veterans through initiatives to hire and retain veterans, and through foundation donations, financial health resources, and event sponsorship. We are thrilled to join Rebuilding Together Solano County, local servicemembers, and members of the community to make repairs to the home of a World War II veteran's widow so that it is a safe and accessible place to live. It is our way of showing our appreciation of our military community and the

community at large," said Kevin Barri, Northern Golden State region bank executive, Wells Fargo.

Community members who would like to support RTSC and the various programs and services for low-income veterans, seniors, and disabled Solano County residents can:

- Donate monies (checks payable to Rebuilding Together Solano County, a nonprofit organization Tax ID #80-0473076)
- Donate Home Depot gift cards (to purchase additional home safety items)
- Volunteer at a workday
- Donate refreshments for volunteers
- Donate home rehab services
- □ Donate home rehab supplies (i.e. drills, smoke alarms, CO alarms, fire extinguishers, etc.)
- Join a committee to help us plan our next workday

Rebuilding Together repairs and renovates homes and community facilities in Solano County with the partnership of local companies, concerned residents and service organizations. Our goal is to provide low-income homeowners (veterans, seniors, and disabled individuals) with an avenue to remain in their home—safely and with dignity.

Rebuilding Together has provided services in Solano County since June 2009. With more than 12,000 volunteers, RTSC has provided necessary home repairs for 42 low-income veteran, senior, or disabled homeowners. Also, RTSC has held more than 52 community facility workdays in Benicia, Fairfield, Rio Vista, Suisun City, Vacaville and Vallejo. In addition, RTSC has installed and/or donated to low-income Solano County homeowners more than 7,000 smoke and 4,715 carbon monoxide alarms for. RTSC has distributed more than 3,400 Safe at Home Kits to Solano County veterans or active military.

In addition, RTSC has provided a Drive Thru Food Pantry to low-income veteran / senior / disabled families in Solano County as well as 10 mobile sites including low-income mobile home parks throughout Solano County, a low-income elementary school and organizations serving the disabled. RTSC has distributed more than 500,000 lbs. of food in the past year as part of Feeding America via the Food Bank of Contra Costa / Solano Counties.

For every dollar invested in a RTSC project, our return to the low-income homeowner and neighborhood has been ten-fold. In total, Rebuilding Together has invested more than \$10,000,000 into revitalizing low-income homes, community facilities and neighborhoods in Solano County.

About Rebuilding Together

Rebuilding Together Solano County (RTSC) provides free home repair and rehabilitation services for low-income homeowners and community facilities. During a one-day project, local businesses, community members, skilled tradesman and concerned residents come together from all walks of life to repair and restore low-income homes in our Solano County neighborhoods. RTSC is a local affiliate of Rebuilding Together USA, a national organization that includes more than 125 affiliates across the nation. In the past twenty-five years, more than 150,000 homes have been rehabilitated by Rebuilding Together volunteers. Visit: www.rebuildingtogethersolanocounty.org