



Baton Rouge

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Rebuilding Together Baton Rouge 2010 Build Day • April 30, 2010

PRESS RELEASE

- When?** Friday, April 30, 2010
- What?** Remodeling 10 homes in 1 day for veterans, senior citizens & low-income Baton Rouge residents. The average age of the homeowners RTBR is helping this year is 80.
- Where?** These homes are scattered around our city, where elderly and senior citizen adults are caring for their adult disabled children, and low-income residents have inherited homes they cannot afford to repair themselves. If you are interested in seeing us in action, contact our executive director for details.
- Why?** **Rebuilding Together** is committed to allowing volunteers and corporations the opportunity to be personally involved in helping low-income, elderly and disabled residents see their own homes repaired and improved, and in increasing the pride of inner-city communities and residents in traditional Baton Rouge neighborhoods.
- How?** Local corporations provide **teams of 25 or more volunteers per house**. After a pre-Build Day assessment of what the home needs (painting, structural work, siding, heating/air conditioning work, etc.), and after some pre-Build Day set-up work, volunteer teams will show up Friday morning, April 30, 2010 at the 10 homes to work until 5:00 p.m., and will largely finish the remodeling that day. Volunteers' skills range from heating/air conditioning/plumbing/carpentry skills, to simple help painting, or using a hammer and saw, working under the leadership of the Team Leader for each house.
- History:** **Rebuilding Together** has remodeled and improved more than 100,000 homes nationwide. Over the past five years, **Rebuilding Together Baton Rouge** has remodeled an average of 10 homes a year, as well as the Youth Oasis facility. **Rebuilding Together** sent teams into New Orleans after Katrina, and is well on its way to reaching its goal of rebuilding 1,000 homes along the Gulf Coast Go-Zone area devastated by Katrina and Rita.
- Partners:** **Honeywell International; JP Morgan Chase; State Farm; Rhodia; Brock Services, Ltd.; Turner Industries Group, LLC.; The Shaw Group; Cajun Constructors; Greater Baton Rouge Realtors; Lowes; and in-kind contributors: Allied Waste; Tony's Seafood; Coca-Cola; Wooster Brush Company; and the East Baton Rouge Parish Office of Community Development.**
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