

NEWSLETTER

Event day 2014 was a great success.

Some 20 happy homeowners can look back on a day which enriched their lives, having 20 or more enthusiastic volunteers working on their homes and yards. In some cases we observed even that the home-owner was an active part in the clean up.

About 500 volunteers showed up and put their best effort in this National Rebuild Day. They had fun, camaraderie and there was even some dancing. We made a video of all this fun and we will post it on our social media.

The excitement started already on Friday afternoon when the Home Liaisons and team leaders came to pick up their Basic Bag at our warehouse. We socialized and got to know each other better, forging the ties for a

continued cooperation.

Truckloads of paint rollers, extension poles, gloves, shovels, buckets, trays, brushes, rolls of plastic, cleaning materials, brooms and ladders left the warehouse and were brought back after a day of putting all this stuff to work.

Many homeowners expressed their gratitude in words and letters. One gentleman was observing the team from his front yard and was completely overwhelmed. When I was asking him how he felt he told me *"I am in heaven"*. Others expressed their gratitude in different forms. Another gentleman had tears in his eyes when he thanked the volunteers and Rebuilding Together. We even got a letter from his daughter : *"My mom said they came with coolers, full of drinks,*

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ice and breakfast burritos. She went on to share that the volunteers were so nice, caring and worked so carefully. They had wonderful attitudes and had music playing. My mom was blessed by the out pour of volunteers. Thank you."

Do these statements not motivate all of us to continue what we are doing and try to grow our activity to help even more people in need? This really keeps us going.



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SHARLEEN JONES , VOLUNTEER CHAIR

Sharleen is a volunteer from the first hour in Rebuilding Together herself. After having supported the Event Days from 2003 onwards. Starting with the paint brush, she became a Team Leader for many years.

Sharleen came to the Board in 2009 and continued her active volunteering by supporting the other members in their committees. Although she had then her own responsibility as Chair of Logistics/Warehouse, this did not stop her to help out in other areas like Home Review and Public relations.

Her background in Sales at Southwestern Bell is providing her the broad background to support the organization in all these fields and now as Volunteer Chair. Most of all she is the example of a team worker, a spirit in which we all feel stimulated.



Wells Fargo Grant

Wells Fargo Bank presented on the Event Day a ceremonial cheque of \$ 10,000, to be spent on the homes of low-income, elderly homeowners in El Paso. Rebuilding Together is extremely happy with this fund and needs this money to be able to fulfill its mission. Rebuilding Together is also happy with the publicity such an event gives and hopes that it motivates other companies to follow this great example. The check was presented by Martha Rochford, Business Banking Manager RB of Wells Fargo Bank to Roger de Moor, President of Rebuilding Together El Paso. Ana Haro,

Business Associate of Wells Fargo, Sylvia Stuckey, Fund Raising Chair and writer of the Grant as well as Gloria Hoyos the Public relations Chair in our Board are witness of the hand over. The Wells Fargo Team is proud observer of the



ceremony. A company which cares for the well being of the community and employees! Rebuilding Together looks forward to continue our relationship with such a company.

360 degrees of "Thank you"

On behalf of Wells Fargo I would just like to say "Thank you" for allowing us to be a part of your efforts in helping the El Paso community. We strive to be the best corporate partner that we can be and we live our visions and values every day...our team members understand the value of promoting the quality of life for everyone in our community.

Jerry Romero, Vice President
Community Relations

Not a problem, it was truly my pleasure!
So much fun, and I enjoyed helping. Such a great group to work with and the homeowner was truly an incredible man.

Maria Zuloaga, Home Liaison

We had a very successful event and finished our home in record time. Our success and praise is to our volunteers as they/we all worked diligently and efficiently. This year nine volunteers from Enterprise Holdings joined our Raytheon Team and they enjoyed it so much they already committed to join us next year...so grateful.

Elna Diaz, Team Leader

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We do need more people on our committees, so please join us!



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Rebuilding Together is the Best at the Border non-profit to volunteer for.



After a day of hard work at the Event Day, we visited the Best of the Border Celebration on Saturday night at the Epic Railyard Event Center. After the best margarita, the best Taco, the best romantic restaurant, finally came the announcement that Rebuilding Together had been chosen the best Non-Profit organization to volunteer for. The fact that at the very day some 500 people volunteers participated in the Event Day is a testimony of this honor.



Sisters Sylvia and Gloria

They entertained the teams and got them even to dance on "Happy" by Pharell Williams.



This homeowner was overwhelmed and made the statement that he felt in heaven, observing the team to paint the inside and outside of his home. With Cecilia DeLeon.

Social Media and Rebuilding Together

This year we have been focussing on expanding our reach through Social Media. Amy Bermudez participates in our Public Relations Committee, while she introduced Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and she writes a frequent blog on our activities as Rebuilding Together. She brings fun to it by her quizzes on close up pictures of strange objects. She alerts the readers of upcoming events and she publishes the pictures, which show the fun of volunteering. We love your reactions, even if it is only a "like", although some comments are even more welcome.

In a couple of months we have reached 85 followers on our Facebook, but we need to grow this to at least 250. So please invite your friends and family to "like" our page. See the pictures of this wonderful Event

Day on Facebook or Instagram and read about it on the Blog. Please find the links below, or click on one of the apps at the bottom of the pages of this newsletter and it will bring you there automatically.

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