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## HOMEAID ATLANTA AWARD WINNERS

*Building industry nonprofit honors top volunteer, builder, and trade partner for 2019.*

ATLANTA, GA – JANUARY 17, 2020 – Members of Atlanta’s home building community gathered at the Omni Hotel at the Battery on January 15 for the Greater Atlanta Home Builders Association and HomeAid Atlanta Annual Installation and Awards Ceremony. HomeAid Atlanta, announced its 2019 award winners in three categories—Volunteer of the Year, Builder of the Year, and Trade Partner of the year. The winners gave selflessly of their time, resources, and expertise in 2019 in support of HomeAid Atlanta’s work.



### 2019 Volunteer of the Year: Steven Sanders-Myers

This award is presented for outstanding service in support of HomeAid. Sanders-Myers led four HomeAid Care Days in 2019, volunteering with fellow Brightwater Homes employees and members of Resonate Church Atlanta. Thanks to his participation, nearly \$25,000 was saved for nonprofits providing housing and services for Atlanta’s homeless population. “I believe that all people are my neighbors and I strive to treat everyone that way,” said Sanders-Myers after a 2019 Care Day. “God has given me knowledge and abilities to build houses, and that is one of the most effective ways that I can help those in need.”

*Steven Sanders-Myers at a HomeAid Care Day on October 10, 2019 at MUST Ministries in Marietta.*



### 2019 Builder of the Year: Ryan Swallow, South Haven Builders

The HomeAid Atlanta Builder of the Year award is presented to a devoted builder advocate of HomeAid Atlanta. Swallow led HomeAid’s interior renovation of an eight-unit apartment building at Roswell’s The Drake Village. His efforts allow eight homeless single mothers and their children to have a safe place to rebuild their lives. Swallow said, "It’s one thing to help out for just a day, but to see this project come to fruition and see the first families move in really brought home to me the value of giving."

*2020 HomeAid Board President Lori Rousseau presents HomeAid’s 2019 Builder of the Year award to Ryan Swallow on January 15 at the Installation and Awards Ceremony.*



### 2019 Trade Partner of the Year: BrightView

The Trade Partner of the Year award is presented to an extraordinary non-builder partner that is essential to HomeAid Atlanta’s mission. BrightView donated over \$20,000 worth of labor and materials to create a greenspace for the children at Rainbow Village as part of HomeAid’s April 2019 project at the Duluth facility for families experiencing homelessness. BrightView completed an additional \$2,500 worth of work at a small home operated by nonprofit Jesus Set the Captive Free to house formerly incarcerated homeless veterans as they rebuild their lives.

*BrightView employees pose with their HomeAid 2019 Trade Partner of the Year award.*

**HomeAid Atlanta** is a nonprofit organization founded in 2001 that builds new lives for homeless families and individuals through housing and community outreach. HomeAid builds, renovates, and maintains facilities for nonprofits serving people experiencing homelessness. HomeAid has completed over 140 projects at locations for victims of domestic violence, teen mothers, veterans and more, utilizing connections with building industry professionals and community organizations. HomeAid also provides essential items like diapers, wipes, and hygiene products to those affected by homelessness. HomeAid is the designated charity of the Greater Atlanta Home Builders Association. Learn more at [www.homeaidatlanta.org](http://www.homeaidatlanta.org).

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