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## **HOMEAID CARE DAY AT GILGAL**

*Volunteers make improvements at recovery residence for homeless women struggling with addiction.*

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HomeAid Atlanta has completed a series of much-needed improvements at Gilgal, a faith-based recovery residence for women experiencing homelessness due to drug and alcohol addiction.

Van Hardimon of Van Hardimon Homes, a member of the Greater Atlanta Home Builders Association, donated his time to lead construction of a divider wall in the gathering hall. His crew also enclosed a door in an office, and added a Dutch door in preparation for a new receptionist space.



*On Friday, September 21, volunteers from CBRE, PWB and KSU NAHB gathered at Gilgal in southwest Atlanta.*

On September 21, volunteers from CBRE, the Professional Women in Building Atlanta Chapter (PWB), and Kennesaw State University's National Association of Home Builders Student Chapter (KSU NAHB) collaborated for a HomeAid Care Day at Gilgal. A few current Gilgal residents worked alongside HomeAid volunteers throughout the day as well. KSU NAHB President Mac Calhoun provided leadership support. Volunteers painted Hardimon's newly-built walls, painted an interior hallway and exterior window bars, making the building more welcoming. The group also repaired a shed roof, installed new lighting, aerated the lawn, planted grass seed, and completed a great deal more landscaping tasks. The work performed by all groups saved Gilgal approximately \$10,000 in materials and labor.

"Gilgal is extremely grateful to HomeAid Atlanta for coming out with over 40 volunteers," said Val Cater, Gilgal Executive Director. "It was a very well-coordinated effort with Van Hardimon and his crew coming ahead of the large volunteer group. The volunteers were hard-working, professional, and a joy to work with as they completed many tasks for Gilgal. The cost savings is tremendous for a nonprofit like Gilgal. While the work done was really needed, it would typically take a back seat to the expenses associated with daily operations. HomeAid and its volunteers provided the tools and hands necessary to do vital work and beautify our properties. Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!"

**HomeAid Atlanta**, founded in 2001, is a nonprofit organization that builds new lives for homeless families and individuals through housing and community outreach. HomeAid works in partnership with the building industry, as well as community organizations, to assist people experiencing homelessness. To date, HomeAid Atlanta has completed over 100 housing, remodel and care day projects at locations serving victims of domestic violence, teen mothers, veterans and more. 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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