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HOMEAID CELEBRATES DEDICATION OF PHOENIX PASS BUILDING II

Conyers, GA - On Friday, June 10, HomeAid Atlanta celebrated the dedication of Building II at Phoenix Pass with a ribbon cutting ceremony. Phoenix Pass is a long-term transitional housing complex serving women with children who are experiencing temporary homelessness in the Conyers/Rockdale County community.

Speakers included Richard Oden, Chairman & CEO, Rockdale County Board of Commissioners; Jeff Beech, Board Chair of Lighthouse Village; Mandy Crater, HomeAid Atlanta Executive Director; Steve King, HomeAid Atlanta Board Treasurer; John Cooper, Cooper Homes, HomeAid Atlanta Builder Captain for Phoenix Pass; Jean Yontz, Phoenix Pass Executive Director, and Jennifer Thomas, Phoenix Pass Graduate.



Ribbon Cutting, Building II at Phoenix Pass, June 10, 2016

The new eight-unit apartment building, built under the guidance of HomeAid Builder Captain John Cooper of Cooper Homes, enables Phoenix Pass meet the needs of more families as they strive to reestablish self-sufficiency in a residential setting.

While the donations and discounts of labor and materials are still being tabulated, to date, HomeAid has saved Phoenix Pass approximately \$265,000 or over 56 percent of the market value of the construction of Building II. HomeAid was able to reach these tremendous savings with the help of numerous members of the building industry who graciously gave to help single mothers in need.

Mandy Crater, Executive Director of HomeAid remarked, "I have the best job in the world! Every day I get to help bring the generosity of the building industry together with amazing service providers like Phoenix Pass to help ensure that no one is without a roof over their heads. We are excited to be able to provide 48 additional beds for single mothers and their children in the Conyers/Rockdale area."

HomeAid Atlanta worked with Phoenix Pass to complete the first eight-unit apartment building and light house shaped community center in 2010.

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 Greater Atlanta Home Builders Association, as well as community building industry organizations, to assist people experiencing temporarily homelessness. To date, HomeAid Atlanta has completed over 50 housing, remodel and care day projects at locations that serve victims of domestic violence, teen mothers, abused and abandoned children, and more. Learn more at www.homeaidatlanta.org.

Phoenix Pass, founded in 2008, is a nonprofit organization that changes lives one family at a time by serving the needs of women and their children experiencing temporary homelessness. These families are given an opportunity to reestablish self-sufficiency in a residential setting. The program at Phoenix Pass provides participants with supportive services and the resources to recover and rebuild a productive, stable lifestyle for themselves and their families.

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