

How WE Help

Home Rehabilitation

- No cost to homeowner
- Project days held in April and October
- Home repairs for low-income seniors, persons with disabilities and families with young children
- Must own the home, live in Geneseo or Cambridge school districts
- Projects emphasize safety, warmth and independence

Home modifications

- Addressing safety, fall prevention and mobility independence for seniors and persons with disabilities
- Adapting homes so that persons can age in place with wheelchair ramps, grab bars, handrails, widened doorways, lever door handles, chair risers, lighting changes and other assistive technology
- Year-round activity
- Free for low-income homeowners

Ramps

- Treated wood
- Modular sections for slope and for turning/resting
- Temporary, floats on top of ground
- At least 1 to 12 slope
- Includes handrails and safety features that meet ADA code



Thanks to outstanding community support - in both volunteers and funding - Rebuilding Together Geneseo/Cambridge celebrated its 16th Rebuilding Day with a strong turn-out.

100 volunteers - from teens to retirees - hammered, sawed, tore out, installed, glued, roofed, painted, weatherized and much more from 8 am to 5 pm on Saturday, April 24. Thanks to this strong turn out and the generous donations received from area businesses, foundations and individual donors, we were able to complete five projects and make significant progress on a multi-day project. In addition, two ramp crews inspected and weather-treated 20 wheelchairs installed throughout our communities.

Homeowners and their projects were:

- A Gulf War-era veteran, along with his wife with vision disabilities and four children, received whole house insulation, a com-

plete re-siding of the house, two storm doors and front and back platform steps.

- A Vietnam-era veteran and his wife with physical disabilities received two new storm doors.

- A veteran who lost his employment in the recent economic downturn received assistance with insulation and new interior walls, subfloors, electric and plumbing updates.
- An elderly single female received a new roof and gutters.

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- A single mother of two received new windows, storm doors and insulation.

Prior to Rebuilding Day, 108 volunteers contributed 438 hours to build seven additional wheelchair ramps and complete seven home modification projects for homeowners with mobility issues. Additional ramps also are planned.



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2010 National Rebuilding Day



To learn more about Rebuilding Together Geneseo/Cambridge or to see photos from Rebuilding Day, visit our website at www.rebuildingtogether-gc.org



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How YOU Can Help

- **Refer** low-income homeowners
- **Volunteer** on a work day. We have plenty of opportunities with a variety of skill levels. In addition to construction work, we need snacks and meals delivered, safety coordinators, ramp treatment team members and more!
- **Share** our story and our mission with others.
- **Plan** an event. Are you a party planner or organizing guru? We're looking for members for a newly formed Special Events Committee to promote RTGC and events to raise additional funds.
- **"Adopt"** a house for the fall Parade of Homes.
- **Donate.** RTGC accepts both new material and financial donations.

2009 Impact

- 23 Homeowner families, two nonprofits
- 179 volunteers
- 1,128 hours donated by skilled (425) and other (703) volunteers
- \$65,688.79 market value of materials/labor

Cumulative Impact 1994-2009

- Impacted 203 homeowner families and three nonprofits.
- 2,759 volunteers
- 21,782 hours of time committed
- \$672,248 in fair market value, based on purchased/donated material, donated labor

Complete 2010 statistics
will be published in September.



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*supporting low-income
homeowners through free
home repairs and modifications
to ensure they live in
warm, safe and dry homes.*

Our year in review