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Habitat for Humanity of Oshkosh begins its 'A Brush with Kindness' housing repair program Habitat to offer home repairs to low-income homeowners.

Oshkosh, WI - Habitat for Humanity of Oshkosh is starting a new housing rehab program to begin in the Fall 09 called A Brush with Kindness. This nationwide program strives to further Habitat's mission by serving low-income homeowners who struggle to maintain the exterior of their homes.

A Brush with Kindness focuses on exterior home repair services such as raking leaves, exterior painting and repairing windows. Groups of volunteers work to revitalize a home's exterior. This program uses donated materials and funds to make repairs on homes, helping low-income homeowners continue to live independently and securely.

"Habitat's A Brush with Kindness gives us a great opportunity to help more families in need, as well as have an impact on the surrounding community" said Steve Hoopman, Executive Director, Habitat for Humanity of Oshkosh. "Helping people repair and maintain their homes fits in seamlessly with our core mission of making decent, affordable housing available to low-income families."

Currently Habitat for Humanity of Oshkosh is seeking individuals that are in need of this service. If you know of a low-income family or an individual that is unable to maintain the exterior of their homes please nominate them by calling Erica at 920 235 3535 or email ewolff@habitatoshkosh.org.

A Brush with Kindness is another way that Habitat for Humanity of Oshkosh strives to revitalize neighborhoods and encourage connections within the community.

For more information about how you can get involved with Habitat for Humanity, please visit www.habitatoshkosh.org.

About Habitat for Humanity of Oshkosh

Habitat for Humanity of Oshkosh (Habitat), an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International, built its first home in Oshkosh in 1990. Over two dozen families in the surrounding area own homes built and financed with Habitat. The newest home on Broad St. is currently under construction and is projected to be completed by December 2009.

About Habitat for Humanity International

Habitat for Humanity International is an ecumenical Christian ministry that welcomes to its work all people dedicated to the cause of eliminating poverty housing. Since its founding in 1976, Habitat has built more than 300,000 houses worldwide, providing

simple, decent and affordable shelter for more than 1.5 million people. For more information, visit www.habitat.org.