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**DHA STAFF VOLUNTEERS PARTICIPATE  
IN 33<sup>RD</sup> SEASON OF BROTHER'S REDEVELOPMENT  
ANNUAL PAINT-A-THON**

**Denver, CO** – More than 15 of the 30 Denver Housing Authority (DHA) staff volunteers were gathered at the home of long-time community leader Loraine Granado in Denver's Swansea neighborhood, ready and eager with brushes in hand and all the required equipment for painting the Granado home. According to Ms. Granado, "I have lived in this home for many, many years, and it really needs a fresh coat of paint. We did a lot of the prep work on the home to get it all ready for the volunteers. It is really fantastic to have organizations like Brothers Redevelopment and volunteers, organize to paint and improve the homes in our community."

In partnership with Brothers Redevelopment, DHA volunteers will paint two homes during this year's Paint-A-Thon, which culminates over the next two Saturdays. The first home is located in the Swansea neighborhood and was originally constructed in 1953, a vintage post-war, GI single-family home.

The 2011 Brothers Redevelopment Paint-A-Thon offers an excellent opportunity for DHA's skilled painter department to lead two teams of staff volunteers to paint the homes of Denver senior homeowners.

"This is the first year that DHA staff has assembled a team for the Paint-A-Thon," stated Chris Pacheco, DHA Lead Painter. "We had over 30 volunteers sign-up. It gives us all great pride to volunteer and help paint the home of a senior or individual on a fixed- income."

The effort is part of Brothers Redevelopment's Annual Paint-A-Thon, which is a summer long initiative where volunteers paint the homes of senior and disabled residents along the Front Range. Now in its 33<sup>rd</sup> year, Brothers has teamed with volunteers, such as DHA to paint some 6,500 homes statewide. A second home, located in the Highlands community in Northwest Denver, and will be painted during the Paint-A-Thon's final weekend on Aug. 13th.

The Paint-A-Thon's 33<sup>rd</sup> Season is presented by the Mountain West Sports Network. Major supporters include Diamond Vogel Paints and Studio 1430 KEZW. Additional contributions for the event come from The Colorado Housing and Finance Authority (CHFA).

**About DHA**

DHA was established in 1938 as a quasi-municipal corporation with an annual budget of \$150 million. DHA is one of Denver's largest subsidized landlords, serving 26,000 very low, low and middle income residents and managing over 11,000 dwelling units located throughout the city.

**About Brothers Redevelopment:**

Celebrating its 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2011, Brothers Redevelopment, Inc. (BRI) is a Denver-based nonprofit that provides safe, affordable, accessible housing and housing services for Colorado's low-income, elderly and disabled populations. For more information, visit [www.brothersredevelopment.org](http://www.brothersredevelopment.org)

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