MAKING A DIFFERENCE DAY



In 2009 **Leonard Bowens**, a Long Beach resident, collapsed from a life threatening aortic aneurysm. Miraculously Leonard lived, but as a result of the lack of blood to his spinal cord, he became a C-5 paraplegic. After 10 months in the hospital, Leonard went back to his home with his mother, where he continues to make strides towards the independence he cherished.

On National Make A Difference Day 2011, volunteers from Clark Construction and Glaeser Builders went to work reinforcing the deck to support the weight of Leonard's wheel chair and transforming the bathroom for wheelchair accessibility.

With a will for regained independence, Leonard is a true model of determination and hope. Now with the assistance from Rebuilding Together Long Beach, he has a home that supports his daily life.

DONATE TODAY

Rebuilding Together Long Beach accepts monetary, materials and in-kind donations, as well as skilled and unskilled volunteer hours. All contributions are tax deductible.

JOIN US

Make a difference today by getting involved. Sign up on our website at www.rtlb.org

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Making a difference in the lives of those who need it most

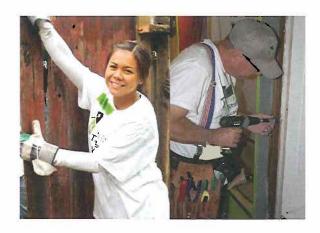
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OUR MISSION

Bringing volunteers and communities together to improve the homes and lives of low-income homeowners.

OUR FOCUS

Rebuilding Together is the nation's largest nonprofit working to preserve affordable homeownership and revitalize neighborhoods, by providing free home repairs to homeowners in-need.



OUR HISTORY

Since its inception in 1992, over 12,000 Rebuilding Together Long Beach (RTLB) volunteers have:

- Repaired, renovated and rehabilitated 250+ homes in Long Beach and neighboring cities
- Provided work with an estimated market value of \$4.2 million+ benefitting those in need

OUR SERVICES

Workdays are typically in April and October, but RTLB works year round evaluating projects that require varying levels of skill, such as:

- Installing wheelchair ramps
- ADA approved bathrooms
- Lever door handles
- Plumbing and electrical repairs
- Yard clean up and painting



"I had never experienced a time where my work had so obviously impacted another's life before or after that day, but thanks to Rebuilding Together Long Beach I was able to have the opportunity to feel what it was like to truly help other people"

~COA Men's Transitional Facility Project Volunteer

OUR DEDICATION

Thanks to the hard work of our volunteers and the generosity of our donors, our work positively impacts the community through:

- Facility rehabilitation
- Energy efficient upgrades
- Partnerships with other organizations
- Volunteer action



OUR PASSION

Our passion stems from the people we serve and the impact we make. Home by home, block by block we are rebuilding lives, families and neighborhoods.