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BofA awards \$20,000 grant to HomeAid Northern California

HomeAid Northern California is pleased to announce it has received a \$20,000 grant from the Bank of America Charitable Foundation. These funds will be used to support two projects, the development of the Shepherd's Gate Life Center in Livermore that will support battered women and their children, and the next phase of the Bridge to Life Center in Fairfield. The Fairfield project by Mission Solano, an interfaith collaboration serving homeless people, will provide a dining hall, single men's building and a care-taker's building as part of the overall campus which will also include the recently completed family units, women and children's building and day care center.

Mark Williams, 2009 HomeAid Board President states, "HomeAid is grateful for the support of Bank of America. With the numbers of homeless families and children ever-increasing, we are needed now more than ever."

"Bank of America is proud to recognize HomeAid Northern California for the fine

work that it does helping to solve homeless issues," said Drew Lisac, who heads the Corporate Social Responsibility team in the East Bay. "HomeAid works through a unique collaboration of home builder companies who provide donated materials, crews, and

The Bridge to Life Center in Fairfield is an interfaith collaboration serving homeless people.

leadership. We feel that this collaborative model truly transforms the lives of homeless people, and Bank of America is pleased to provide support."

The Shepherd's Gate Life Center is the third project HomeAid has adopted for this

organization. Says Shepherd's Gate Executive Director, Steve McRee, "HomeAid has supported Shepherd's Gate and its ministry for the last ten years. With this partnership, we can provide the necessary life-changing skills to get women and children back on their feet and not spend critical financial resources on construction. It is a true partnership that works. This generous gift from Bank of America will allow us to complete the Life Center on time."

Of the Mission Solano Bridge to Life Center, Builder Captain and 2010 HomeAid Board President, Dave Sanson of DeNova Homes says this, "When completed, this project will provide up to 192 men, women and children a home while they rebuild their lives. The Bridge to Life Center will be a model of the kind of place these people deserve to live in, to allow them to once again thrive in a dignified, beautiful place. HomeAid is gratified for this contribution from Bank of America to make this project a reality."