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### **HomeAid Colorado Awarded \$75,000 Daniels Fund Grant**

*Grant Money to Be Used to Help Support HomeAid's Programs  
for Transitionally Homeless Coloradoans*

DENVER, Mar. 5, 2008 – HomeAid Colorado, a statewide non-profit that builds quality homes for the temporarily homeless, was recently awarded a \$75,000 grant from the Daniels Fund. The money will be used for HomeAid's homeless housing development program, which will directly impact budgets for building homes for Colorado's transitionally homeless.

HomeAid has several projects in process, including Safe Shelter of St Vrain Valley in Longmont, Interfaith Hospitality Network in Loveland, Girls Hope in Centennial and Colorado Homeless Families in Arvada. The Daniels Fund grant will support HomeAid's partnerships with each of those projects, ensuring that quality transitional housing is available to those who need it most.

"We are more than thrilled to receive this grant from the Daniels Fund," said Laura Brayman, executive director of HomeAid Colorado. "We rely on Colorado's homebuilding industry for its generous donations of time, materials and labor. In a period of uncertainty in the housing industry, this grant is especially important. It allows us to continue to serve homeless Coloradoans when other resources are scarce."

HomeAid recruits local home builders to lead the construction of a new home – usually a multi-family home with two to three units. The home builder donates its services and asks its suppliers and trade contractors to do the same. The Daniels Fund grant will support HomeAid's services including builder captain recruitment; resolution of land, permitting and other building issues; technical assistance to plan, develop, and construct the housing units; and solicitation of in-kind resources to support the projects.

HomeAid helps care providers navigate the system and lets volunteer builder captains focus on what they do best, which is build houses. As a result, care providers own and operate new or expanded facilities at a low direct cost without compromising quality. Instead, they can focus their resources on providing life-changing programs to serve Colorado's homeless.

Considering that on any given night in Colorado, more than 12,000 people, mostly women and children, find themselves without a home, HomeAid and Colorado's homebuilding community are providing an invaluable service that contributes to the stability of Colorado's communities.

### **About Daniels Fund**

Daniels Fund operates the Daniels Fund Scholarship Program and the Daniels Fund Grant Program in Colorado, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming. The Fund was established in 1997 by Bill Daniels, a pioneer in cable television known for his kindness and generosity to those in need.

**About HomeAid**

HomeAid Colorado identifies reputable care providers for the homeless and matches them with a participating local "builder captain." The captain brings the in-kind resources of subcontractors, suppliers and consultants, and delivers quality housing for the temporarily homeless, who comprise approximately 90 percent of the homeless population. HomeAid Colorado is the non-profit of choice for the Colorado Association of Homebuilders. Nationally, HomeAid is the leading non-profit provider of housing for the homeless. For more information, visit [www.hacolo.org](http://www.hacolo.org) or call 303.691.0104.

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