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BREVARD INTERFAITH COALITION ANNOUNCES DAY OF SERVICE, SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH

BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA ~ The Brevard Interfaith Coalition, a project of Catholic Charities of Central Florida, announces the first annual 'Day of Service' has been set for Saturday, April 25th. Approximately 500 volunteers from Interfaith Coalition member faith groups from all over the county will link arms with Brevard County seniors, the disabled and low-income families to repair and restore their homes and clean-up their yards to prepare for the 2009 hurricane season. All work will be done at no cost to the homeowner. They must just provide the construction materials.

According to Linda Wiggins, Brevard Interfaith Coalition coordinator, "We are working together with governmental agencies and nonprofit groups to expand the county's capacity to serve those in need and build a better, more caring community." The Interfaith Coalition is made up of churches, synagogues, temples, mosques and other faith centers that do community outreach.

Brevard seniors, the disabled or low income families with a home in need of repair or a lawn clean-up, are invited to submit a completed Work Request Form to get their property repaired, following last year's storms or fires. Non-profit and faith groups, whose facility needs painting or fix-up are also encouraged to submit a Work Request Form. All completed forms are to be faxed to 321.631.4209. Said Linda, "We will confirm your request and assign a Volunteer Team to fix your home."

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Individuals and church response teams willing to help homeowners or non-profit and faith groups in need, are asked to complete a Volunteer Service Form and fax it to 321.631.4209. According to Tony Rivoli, the Day of Service volunteer coordinator from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, “We will confirm your availability, your capability and your access or need for tools, and then assign you appropriate service work on Saturday, April 25th.”

Both Work Request and Volunteer Service forms are available at all Interfaith Coalition member churches, synagogues, temples and mosques, at the Catholic Charities of Central Florida, located at 817 Dixon Blvd., suite 16 in Cocoa, or eMail RebuildBrevard@dayofservice.org.

Since 1962, Catholic Charities of Central Florida has provided hope and built opportunity for the more than 120,000 men, women and children each year throughout nine counties in Florida. Catholic Charities of Central Florida’s mission is to “Provide vital social services for people in need, regardless of their religious, social or economic background, and thus improve the lives of individuals and families as well as our community. Joining forces with Catholic Charities USA and other social service agencies and nonprofit groups, Catholic Charities of Central Florida continues to expand its program services to cut poverty and the destructive forces which it creates in the family and community at large.

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