

July 2010: Verizon Foundation



Doorways would like to recognize the **Verizon Foundation** as this month's Spotlight Corporate Ambassador! For the fourth year in a row, the Verizon Foundation has presented Doorways with a generous grant to fund facilitation of The Red Flag Campaign on Northern Virginia college campuses. According to its creators, VSDVAA, "The Red Flag Campaign is the first statewide public awareness campaign to address dating violence and promote the prevention of dating violence on Virginia's college campuses." Participating in The Red Flag Campaign has been an integral part of Doorways' Community Education strategic plan, and has helped to raise awareness at the college level about how bystanders

can of speak up when they see the warning signs of dating violence and how to recognize the differences between healthy and unhealthy relationships.

The Verizon Foundation also recently sponsored an incredibly powerful documentary on domestic violence titled "Telling Amy's Story." Not only is the movie a powerful reminder that domestic violence can occur anywhere, and to anyone, it also is a great tool for organizations like Doorways to utilize in trainings and presentations.

We would like to thank Verizon Foundation for its consistent and dedicated support of Doorways' effort to end domestic violence in our community. Special thanks to Douglas Brammer for helping to brainstorm solutions for our day-to-day communications issues, and for helping to spread the message to other Corporate Ambassadors about the importance of community education on domestic violence. **Thank you, Verizon Foundation!**



June 2010: Keller Williams Realty

Doorways would like to recognize **Keller Williams Arlington Community Total Support (KW ACTS)** as this June's Spotlight Corporate Ambassador! Keller Williams already has a long-standing commitment to helping their communities, and participates yearly in **RED Day (Renew, Energize, Donate)**, an event where every Keller Williams employee is asked to donate their time to "renew and energize aspects of their local communities."

Multiple teams from Keller Williams lent their support to Doorways on May 13, 2010. One team purchased materials and stained our Freddie Mac Foundation Family Home fence, while three other teams held donation drives at local grocery stores to gather much-needed in-kind donations of household items for Doorways shelters and clients. We are also grateful to KW ACTS for their commitment to hold monthly grocery store drives at Giant for Doorways as part of the KW Cares program!

We are honored to have been part of this year's Keller Williams RED Day, and to have met so many caring individuals from this philanthropic-minded company. We are even more grateful to have created a continuing relationship with Keller Williams, and look forward to working together on many projects in the future. Thank you, Keller Williams Arlington Community Total Support!

May 2010: Madison Homes

Doorways is proud to recognize Madison Homes, Inc., as this month's Spotlight Corporate Ambassador! Madison Homes, a McLean-based real estate development company, and their subcontractors along with HomeAid of Northern Virginia provided priceless support to Doorways by maintaining, updating and improving many aspects of Doorways' Freddie Mac Foundation Family Home and its yard.

Madison Homes' Vice President Mark Westmoreland, Project Manager Matthew Boles and Customer Service Coordinator Kristen Chapman oversaw a myriad of improvement projects, including but not limited to:

- Replacing the part of fencing parallel to house in order to create a latched gate so trash carts can be moved from both ends of the contained area, making it easier for staff and clients to get the carts in & out to the curb.
- Caulking the house siding and trim where cracks/gaps were visible.
- Scraping peeling paint, priming & re-painting woodwork on the top rafters of the HVAC enclosure building.
- Removing sod and adding flagstone pavers to complement rest of exterior along left side of the house, and just through gate, making it safer & easier to walk to the backyard.
- Installing an additional piece of fencing to the left of the shed so children can't get access to hidden narrow alleyway.
- Repairing drywall in the first floor hallway and kitchen and touching up painting from leaks.
- Repainting all second floor bathrooms and re-caulking bathtubs.
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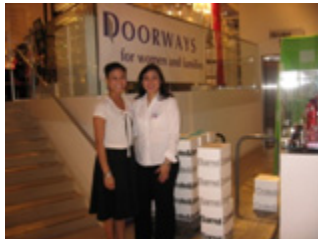
We are grateful to Madison Homes for providing these necessary improvements free of charge to Doorways, as the comfort and safety of our clients is of the utmost importance. We hope this partnership will continue to thrive for many years to come. Thank you, Homes, Inc!



April 2010: Matrix Group International

Doorways would like to recognize Matrix Group International as this month's Spotlight Corporate Ambassador! In addition to being an active supporter of Doorways since 2004, Matrix Group has generously donated their services to create and host Doorways' website and email. Led by the dynamic Joanna Pineda, Matrix epitomizes the ideal Doorways' Corporate Ambassador: a true partner organization, that shows its support through financial contributions, volunteers, pro bono services, community networking and much more.

Matrix most recently worked with Doorways' to completely redesign our website. Led by Joanna Pineda, Matrix employees have also lent their time and expertise helping to plan and execute Doorways' latest Benefit Auction, which was a rousing success!



March 2010: Crate & Barrel

Doorways would like to recognize Crate & Barrel as this month's Spotlight Corporate Ambassador! Crate & Barrel, one of the inaugural members of the program, has committed to multiple fundraisers, in-kind donations and employee volunteer activities to reach the level of Silver Corporate Ambassador for 2010. Crate & Barrel has scheduled events including several employee "Denim for Doorways" days, a collection drive for HomeStart for the month of November, Holiday Gift Wrapping to benefit Doorways (December 11-13, 2009), and an on-going cell phone collection drive at the Clarendon location.

Crate & Barrel has already taken advantage of one of their benefits as a Corporate Ambassador and welcomed Doorways' staff to an employee meeting to present "Domestic Violence in the Workplace," a comprehensive training identifying what to look for and how to respond if you suspect a co-worker is experiencing intimate partner violence.

February 2010: Hovde Foundation

Doorways would like to recognize the Hovde Foundation and the Hovde employees as this month's Spotlight Corporate Ambassador! Hovde, an investment banking, asset management and private equity firm based in Washington, D.C., came to Doorways last year with a generous donation through the charitable branch of the company, the Hovde Foundation. Not to be content with a one-time donation, Hovde followed up their generosity by adopting two families through Doorways Holiday Wishes programs and completely resupplying all six of Doorways' Freddie Mac foundation Family Home bathrooms with bath mats, soap dishes, cups, shower curtains, and enough sets of towels for all 21 residents! Hovde employees came to the Family Home with a car fully-packed with these items plus additional cleaning supplies. And when they could fit no more of these goodies into their car, Hovde employees followed up their generosity with additional Target gift cards!

We are thrilled to have found such a generous and supportive partner in the Hovde Foundation and the Hovde companies. Special thanks to Hovde Foundation's Executive Director, Jeffrey Boyd, for his enthusiasm and spirit! ***Thank you, Hovde Foundation!***

January 2010: Capital Source

Doorways would like to recognize CapitalSource as this month's Spotlight Corporate Ambassador! CapitalSource, a new donor to Doorways this year, has joined the Corporate Ambassador program at the Silver level, and has already sent a group of able volunteers to help clean our Freddie Mac Foundation Family Home. Seven wonderful men and women... joined our Facilities staff on December 11th and gave the kitchen, refrigerators and toy room a much-needed deep-cleaning. Some volunteers also put together and stocked a shelving unit for the food pantry. According to Susan Hennessy, Doorways' Facilities Manager, the CapitalSource team was cheerful, enthusiastic, and hard-working!

Doorways is delighted to be working with CapitalSource through the Corporate Ambassador program to help end homelessness and domestic violence in our community. ***Thank you, CapitalSource!***