



**JUNIOR LEAGUE OF  
BOCA RATON**

*Women building better communities*

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**The Junior League of Boca Raton and Kids@Home**

**Join together to help Habitat for Humanity**

**Boynton Beach, FL** – On October 14, 2006, The Junior League of Boca Raton, Inc. (JLBR) in partnership with Kids@Home, assisted Habitat for Humanity in the construction of a new home in Boynton Beach. This event was a community service project for Kids@Home, a local organization which assists young adults in foster care. Participants in the event included fifteen young adults from Kids@Home, six Life Coaches, staff from Kids@Home and members from The Junior League of Boca Raton. The group learned building and dry wall installation skills and worked together to rake and prepare the yard for sod. Participants also installed drywall and did finishing work to prepare the walls for paint. The day reinforced the importance of team-work as well as teaching actual building skills. After completing their work, the participants enjoyed lunch together.

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“We choose to bring the Kids@Home kids to work with the Habitat project to introduce them to a great program that is available to those in need of community assistance to achieve their dream of home ownership; and to allow the Kids@Home participants to learn skills and gain exposure to a profession (building) that they might not otherwise come in contact with. I think the kids had the chance to see how much work goes into building a home and were able to see the family working along side them to make their dream of owning a home come true. At the end of the day we were all happy to have been a part of this.” said Carrie O’Day, JLBR Kids@Home Chair-Elect.

All of the participants were filled with pride to be helping the home’s owner, Anita, a grandmother of twenty-two. Anita and her family participated along side the Kids@Home kids in building and making sure that everyone had cold drinks on the hot day.

“This was a very positive experience for the JLBR to be able to expose the young adults from Kids@Home to Habitat for Humanity, and the good work that they do. In conjunction with the leadership of Kelly Hampton, Director of Programs and Services for Kids@Home, the JLBR is committed to providing positive role models and hands-on training opportunities for these kids” Said Kathy Adkins, JLBR President.

For more information on Kids@Home and the community projects of the Junior League of Boca Raton contact the JLBR office at 561-620-2553, or visit [www.JLBR.org](http://www.JLBR.org).

*The Junior League of Boca Raton (JLBR) is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women and improving our community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable. The Junior League of Boca Raton is part of the Association of Junior Leagues International, which is comprised of 293 Junior Leagues across the United States and in four countries.*

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