**MEDIA ADVISORY**

The Home Depot Foundation to Transform Veteran Farm House for Spokane-Area Veterans

*Local Effort Part of The Home Depot’s National Celebration of Service Campaign to Serve Veterans at Home*

**WHAT:** On Friday, Oct. 27, The Home Depot Foundation will partner with the Upper Columbia Resource Conservation & Development Council to transform “Vets on the Farm”, a Spokane Conservation District facility that aims to assist veterans with their transition back to civilian life. The farmhouse is in need of general maintenance to provide a safe and stable work/live space for resident veterans. More than 25 members of Team Depot, The Home Depot’s associate-led volunteer force, will complete the work on their day off.

This project in Spokane, Wash. is part of The Home Depot’s annual Celebration of Service campaign to improve the homes and lives of U.S. military veterans and their families. Giving back to veterans is personal to The Home Depot, as more than 35,000 of the company’s associates have served in the military. As part of the campaign, The Home Depot is encouraging the nation to “Choose to Serve” those who served the country. To learn how to get involved in your community, visit [CelebrationOfService.com](http://CelebrationOfService.com).

**Volunteer projects will include:**
- Installation of new flooring, cabinetry and kitchen and bath appliances

**WHO:** Spokespeople available for interviews include:
- Duane Zbranek, veteran resident
- Jay Sirmans, The Home Depot [On-Site Contact: 509-230-9996]
- Vicki Carter, Spokane Conservation District

**WHERE:** 7524 S. Ellis Road, Spokane, WA 99223

**WHEN:** Friday, Oct. 27 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**CONTACT:** For more information, please contact Anna Whaley at Anna.Whaley@gmail.com or 404-870-6847.

**About The Home Depot Foundation**

The Home Depot Foundation is a 501c3 committed to improving the homes and lives of U.S. veterans and their families with a specific focus on combat-wounded, senior and homeless veterans. The foundation also provides clean-up and rebuilding support for communities affected by natural disasters.

Since 2011, The Home Depot Foundation has invested approximately $213 million in veteran-related projects, part of the foundation’s quarter of a billion dollar pledge to veteran-related causes by 2020. In partnership with Team Depot, the 400,000-strong army of associate volunteers, the organization has positively impacted more than 34,500 veterans' homes and helped more than 3,700 communities.

To learn more about The Home Depot Foundation and see Team Depot in action, visit [homedepot.com/teamdepot](http://homedepot.com/teamdepot) and follow us on Snapchat, Twitter and Instagram @[teamdepot](http://teamdepot) and like us on Facebook at [facebook.com/teamdepot](http://facebook.com/teamdepot).
About Spokane Conservation District
The Spokane Conservation District (SCD) has been active in the Spokane-area since the 1940s, teaching & facilitating sustainable land use and conservation practices to meet current needs while also planning resource use for the future.

Vets on the Farm is managed by the SCD and is designed for Veterans seeking a new mission and a way to transition back into civilian life through careers in agriculture, farming, ranching or other conservation based industries. Our mission is to provide resources and opportunities for education, partnership, and employment to help reach that goal.

To learn more about SCD and Vets on the Farm, visit us at http://www.sccd.org or http://www.sccd.org/votf and like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/SpokaneConservation or www.facebook.com/VetsontheFarm.

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