

REBUILDING TOGETHER LONG BEACH
Bringing volunteers together to repair homes and improve lives.

RTLBB NEWS & EVENTS

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RTLBB
Make a Difference Day!

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Millions of people will volunteer in communities around the country on Saturday October 27 -- Make A Difference Day. Throughout the month of October, over 400 RTLBB volunteers have been busy fixing houses, repairing faulty electrical systems, securing slip and fall spots, installing handicap accessibility fixtures and providing a safe and healthy home for elderly people, low-income families and those living with disabilities.

Learn more: [RTLBB MADD](#)

Are you ready to make a difference?

USA WEEKEND
Magazine celebrates
National Make a Difference
Day.

For more than 20 years, USA WEEKEND Magazine and Points of Light have joined together to sponsor Make A Difference Day, the largest national day of community service. Millions of volunteers around the world unite in a common mission to improve the lives of others. Read more:

[USA Weekend Magazine MADDay](#)

November Volunteer
Opportunity.

Veterans Administration Resource Fair held on Wednesday Nov 7th from 11 am - 1 pm with over 300 veterans, families and VA staff. If you can help out by working the RTLBB booth, contact info@rtlb.org. This is a great opportunity to meet the Board volunteers and the people we serve.

RTLBB Volunteer Teaches
Repairs.

Jon Thomsic, electrician & electrical engineer for more than 30 years, takes the time at Friendly Villages Mobile Home Park to guide LBCC volunteers that are replacing unsafe aluminum electrical wiring. Teaching younger volunteers is just one of the many ways Jon gives back to his community through volunteer efforts with RTLBB. Thank you Jon for all you do.



Changing Lives

Meet Beatrice.

Beatrice is 84 years old with limited mobility, diabetes and Alzheimer's disease. Her grandson Douglas has been taking care of her full time along with help from his girlfriend and some other family members for several years now.

Earlier this year, Beatrice received a violation from Code Enforcement. The family, devastated by the news and concerned they would not be able to keep the home, called RTLBB. The violation included the removal of weeds, trash, debris, graffiti and furniture in the back yard, installation of security lights, and removal of the property back fence that fell to rest in the alley.

RTLBB volunteers investigated and upon inspection, additional, serious concerns were noted making Beatrice a perfect recipient for RTLBB services through our MADD project. Installing wheel chair ramps, trimming trees and securing the house became priorities in the growing list.

RTLBB volunteers immediately starting creating the plan to assist Beatrice and Douglas with yard clean up and safety and accessibility improvements. On October 27, her rebuilt home will include a custom LBCC-built rampleading from the kitchen and living areas to the walk-in bathroom/shower and a new perimeter fence providing security and safety. The second ramp will be installed in the front of the home off the porch. Over 50 volunteers will be tackling the yard, installing security lights and assuring that Beatrice will be in this home for as long as she chooses. RTLBB skilled and unskilled volunteers are truly making a difference in Beatrice's life, and those that help her every day.



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