



*Repairing homes
Revitalizing communities
Rebuilding lives*

Betty Moates' Legacy Continues

Betty Moates didn't just impact Rebuilding Together Silicon Valley in her 10 plus years of volunteering, but because of her \$100,000 bequest, her legacy lives on and she still makes a difference in the lives of her neighbors in need.

Betty started with Rebuilding Together Silicon Valley by using her database management skills to help build RTSV's first database. She managed it for 10 years as a volunteer. You may also know Betty as the sister of Johnny Dawson. Johnny has a mind for logistics and used his gifts to coordinate materials for Rebuilding Day. He started our *Neighbor to Neighbor* program that continues today as *Safe at Home*.



Johnny's wife, Pat, also volunteered with us in the office by processing applications and conducting site visits. It was a family affair, and RTSV was lucky to work with all of them for over 10 years.

A longtime resident of Silicon Valley, Betty originally bought her home for \$20,000 and upon her passing in 2017, it was sold at over one million dollars. Betty continues helping her neighbors in need by leaving a generous bequest from this sale to Rebuilding Together Silicon Valley.

As a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, we are eligible to receive bequests. Please contact Bev Jackson at bev@rebuildingtogethersv.org or 408-578-9519 for more information.

Safe homes and communities for everyone.

Letter from our Leader:

Acts of kindness make a critical difference in our individual lives and in the lives of complete strangers in our community. I believe the perfect antidote to our daily worries and concerns is to do something positive for someone else.

Over 1,000 people volunteered their time, talent, and energy to make a difference in the lives of our neighbors at our Spring Rebuilding Day this past April. In addition to our two Rebuilding Days each year, we have countless volunteers who volunteer their time year round. Their stories go untold as they make a significant difference in the lives of our neighbors in need.

I give my absolute thanks and humble admiration for each volunteer who gives their time and talents to our mission of repairing homes, revitalizing communities, rebuilding lives. As the incoming Chair, I plan to highlight the value we add to our homeowners' lives which is made possible by our donors and volunteers. If we all give as we can, together we can make a difference.



Tim Dunkin,
Board Chair

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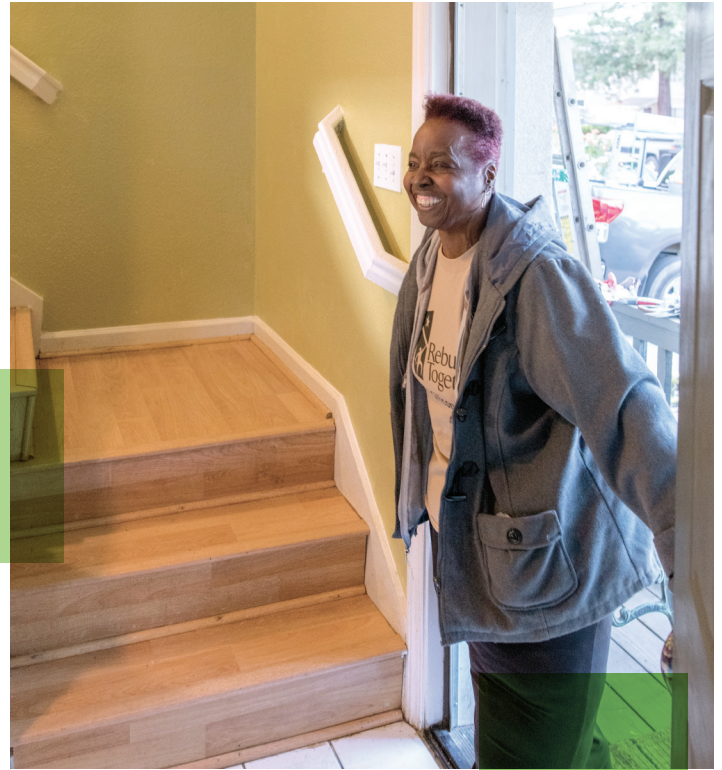
That so many people [on Rebuilding Day] would be willing to give of their time ...



... and their toil to help an unknown neighbor in need is the very essence of kindness.

Christine,
Rebuilding Day
Homeowner

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Homeowner Gives Back

In addition to being a mother to two girls, Paulette Harris opens her home to young people who have been taken from their families or removed from dangerous situations and are awaiting foster care placement.

Paulette has been on disability for the past four years, suffers from a number of health concerns, and walks with a cane. But despite her personal struggles, she has turned her home into a refuge for others.

This April, volunteers from HGA Architects and Engineers worked diligently to ensure that Paulette's home isn't just safe for her or the young people she cares for but that it is also welcoming to them. Over 20 volunteers flooded Paulette's home on Rebuilding Day, and performed repairs to create a safe and healthy home. They painted 10 rooms with a fresh coat of paint, installed new flooring in the bathroom, repaired drywall where it had been damaged, improved lighting, installed grab bars, repaired locks, and installed post and railing to help Paulette get in the back door safely.



All of these repairs will not only allow Paulette to stay safe in her home, but they also create a safe and welcoming environment for all the young people whom she will welcome into her home for years to come.



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