



Spotlight on Habitat for Humanity, Northern California

Broadcom employees in Northern California recently partnered with Habitat for Humanity in Silicon Valley for the “Broadcom Playhouse Project.” As a presenting sponsor, Broadcom employees built and donated a playhouse to a children’s organization in Santa Clara County. This was the first event with Habitat for Humanity, and the team looks forward to joining the ranks of other Silicon Valley companies who have supplied playhouses to organizations such as the Ronald McDonald House, InnVision, Community Solutions, Rebekah's Children's Services, Chamberlain Children Center, and the YWCA.



The program will operate twice a month throughout 2011. The program calls for 20-25 corporate volunteers a day to build a playhouse by the day’s end from scratch. The work tasks include painting, roof construction, fabrication of sides, door, windows, trim and final assembly of the unit. Broadcom employees use various power tools including rotary saws, saber saws, routers, power screw drivers and drills.

Hear from a few of the volunteers who describe their experience with Habitat and why they donate their time:

“I have been a volunteer, in some capacity for the last 15 years. I believe there is great value when people come together to learn from each other and to serve others,” said Mona Taylor. “When I volunteer, I realize that I truly benefit more from the actual experience than the people whom I am serving.”



“In this economy, I certainly feel fortunate to be employed and earning a paycheck. I feel an obligation to share that fortune and working on the Habitat for Humanity project was an opportunity to do just that,” said Mike Hurlston. “I hope all of us at Broadcom can find little ways to share our fortune and help those in need.”

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“Participating in the Habitat for Humanity project was a great experience. I had a fun and it was an exciting day, and while I learned a thing or two about building a house, the most important aspect was that I got an opportunity to contribute a little back to the community and those in need,” said Martin Lund.

“I have had many opportunities in my life and am blessed with a wonderful family and home. Habitat for Humanity provides homes for families in need who deserve to enjoy the benefits of American life that I enjoy,” said Joan Huser.

“Working on the playhouse project with Habitat for Humanity is a great way to give back to our local community and at the same time a great opportunity for team building with your colleagues,” said Rajiv Ramaswami.

- I would change the last sentence to “Kudos to Broadcom for contributing time and resources to establish such a worthwhile company program.”



