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April 26th Groundbreaking Ceremony for RANCHO Housing Alliance's Blythe Infill Project

RANCHO Housing Alliance, Inc., is pleased to announce the April 26th groundbreaking of its latest infill housing project in downtown Blythe.

The infill project – consisting of six affordable and energy-efficient homes, each with three to four bedrooms, two full bathrooms and a two-car garage – is illustrative of RANCHO's steady commitment to providing homeownership opportunities to low-income residents of eastern Riverside County, according to Project Manager Katherine Mejia.

Construction is scheduled to begin May 14th, with an anticipated completion date of early December, 2007.

"The timeline of this project makes it possible for families to spend their first Christmas inside their new homes," Mejia said.

The groundbreaking ceremony will start at 11 a.m. at the corner of Rice Street and Palm Drive in Blythe. Honored guests will include Blythe Mayor Robert A. Crain, Blythe Development Services Department Planning Director Jennifer Wellman and RANCHO Executive Director Jeff Hays.

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RANCHO Housing Alliance, the housing arm of Desert Alliance for Community Empowerment, is dedicated to providing residents and their communities with the means and resources for quality, affordable housing through innovative and collaborative community-based partnerships.

RANCHO offers its clients a comprehensive housing services program, including first-time homebuyer education, mortgage assistance loans and notary services.

RANCHO staff are now scheduling homeowner walkthroughs for Phase Seven of its Rancho de la Fe development project in Coachella.

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