

Good Works

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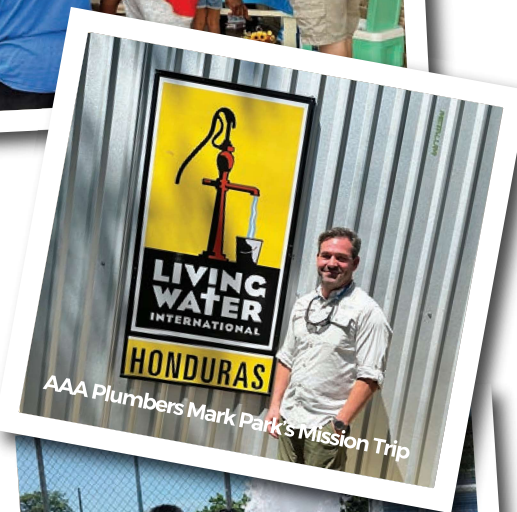
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At the end of each year, **ABODE** highlights Houston Apartment Association members and companies that positively impact the Houston area community through acts of kindness, volunteer work and donations. The stories below show how HAA members give back beyond their HAA volunteer work. Thank you, HAA members for being part of the good in Houston.

AAA Plumbers

From September 3 to 9, AAA Plumbers President Mark Park went on a mission trip to Honduras with Living Water International. The mission was successful in developing a water well in Las Colinas Barrio de Choluteca, Honduras. This well will pump 45 gpm of clean water to help the health center and the approximately 5,000 people who it serves. Thank you, Mark!

Stonemark Management

Stonemark Corporate is a Silver Sponsor for the Teddy Bear Party. For this event, all the Stonemark Houston properties participate in collecting stuffed teddy bears. Team members of Gemstar Construction Development and Dixie Carpet Installations also sponsor this event.

Teddy Bear Party is a grass roots 501(c)3 based in Dallas which initially started as a small holiday gathering of social peers. Jason Hanna, with Bascom, is a client of Stonemark and is the driving

force of this event. In 2011, Kaye Hanna, Jason's mom, was diagnosed with Stage 4 lung cancer. Jason wanted to do something to help give her the strength and motivation to fight this disease. Jason partnered with his fellow founders for a teddy bear drive which was the first official Teddy Bear Party (TBP). At that first event, TBP collected 250+ teddy bears. These were donated in honor of Kaye to the Teddy Bear Clinic at Children's Health for children also undergoing the same type of treatment. Teddy Bear Party averages an annual donation of 1.5k teddy bears. This year, donated bears are benefiting Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth, Texas.

Parawest Management

Parawest Management attended the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer walk on Saturday, October 8. The Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure has played a significant role in increasing awareness of breast cancer and raising substantial funds for the cause. It has become a symbol of solidarity in the fight against breast cancer and Parawest was honored to support this life saving cause.

Parawest Management also hosts an Annual National Night Out event in October. National Night Out is an annual community-building event. The event's primary purpose is to promote positive relationships between law enforcement agencies and the communities they serve, as well as to enhance neighborhood camaraderie and public safety.



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