Executive Update

When I came home to Missoula from Cambodia in May, I found a house of activity in the Homeword office. It was filled with folks preparing for the annual Ramadan Food Drive. Dressed in my finest, I walked through the Muhammad Center to the community of homeless friends. Eventually, I found a group of hundreds of folks, young and old, joining together in the spirit of giving. One man, a volunteer from the community, offered to help build the food drive. Others offered to load and unload the trucks. It was an incredible experience for me, providing a glimpse of how community building occurs through the power of giving.

This spring, Homeword received 425 homes built or preserved in 11 communities across the state that 1,600 families call home today. We are combining our financing packages in order to fund these homes that are very much needed in the communities we serve. Each home helps us to continue the mission of creating safe, healthy homes for those who need them most.

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Media Coverage:

Missoula Current: For more information about Homeword’s work, check out MTPR’s interview with Scott Kizer, Director of Development, and the Missoulian’s coverage about the Cooley Block.

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