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**Local Charitable Firestorm Organization ReBuild RB
Announces IRS Approval of Non-profit 501(c)(3) Status**

ReBuild RB is excited to announce their recent 501(c)(3) status approval as a public charity with the IRS which will enable them to accept tax deductible donations.

Businesses and the public will be able to make tax deductible donations that will go directly to the registered San Diego County fire families in the form of grants for those families most in need. Marcie Sands, Vice President stated, “We are thrilled about this, as our goal is to assist the victims directly, not only as an electronic recovery information resource via the website www.RebuildRB.com, but also financially as well. There are several families who are “between the cracks”, families who were not qualified for FEMA, but because of other insurance circumstances are having trouble rebuilding. After 6 months they still have not broken ground. This is an ongoing, draining struggle for them in addition to the October loss of their homes and personal belongings. We look forward to being a part of their healing and recovery”.

Rebuild RB registered fire survivor, Lanee Adair of Rancho Bernardo commented, “Rebuild RB was there immediately after the fire. It gave me a sort of comfort knowing that I could log on and find help. I could find others with a similar story, I could find resources to help me with the millions of questions that I had bouncing in my head. We were touched with prayers and words and gifts of hope

because of Rebuild RB. It is now 6 months after and I am still logging on. Thank you very much for being there for us!”

President and founder, Cindy Holmstrom, commented, “Our non-profit status was greatly expedited by the prompt efforts of the staff of Congressman Brian Bilbray’s office. Without their assistance, the application process would have taken substantially longer.”

Rebuild RB anticipates being ready to take and give donations within a month. If you would like to assist them in this exciting process please call Cindy Holmstrom at 858-361-6164 or email Cindy@rebuildrb.com. Especially needed are those having 501(c)(3), legal and/or accounting experience. Current board members are President, Cindy Holmstrom, Vice President, Marcie Sands, both from Rancho Bernardo, Secretary Deanna Lewis, of Poway, Chief Financial Officer, Wayne Hitt, of Ramona, Director of Fundraising, Darin Stoner of Rancho Penasquitos and Fire Survivor, Sam Rindskopf, of Ramona.

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