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**HOMES FOR OUR TROOPS & KITCORP HOMES RECEIVE NASCLA'S
4th ANNUAL *COMMUNITY SERVICE IN CONTRACTING* AWARD**

PHOENIX, AZ – September 29, 2008 the National Association of State Contractors Licensing Agencies (NASCLA) is pleased to announce that Homes for Our Troops and Kitcorp Homes are the winners of the 2008 *Community Service in Contracting Award*.

This national award was created as a way for NASCLA and its many members to recognize the positive impact that contractor and construction related associations have on their communities. All too often homeowners and consumers hear the “bad” stories about contractors. With this award, NASCLA showcases the countless hours and efforts that contractors and construction related associations make by raising funds, contributing time, labor and materials to charities.

Homes for Our Troops is a national non-profit organization that provides specially adapted barrier free homes throughout the United States for severely injured service members. They have completed 32 homes and over 20 more are currently underway. They have also been recognized as a top-rated charity by the American Institute of Philanthropy and have been awarded a grant from the Sierra Club to include green technology and energy efficiencies in the homes they build.

Homes for Our Troops took on a project to build Sergeant Eric Edmundson of New Bern, North Carolina a new home and partnered with KitCorp Homes as the General Contractor.

KitCorp Homes is a 2-person company with just its owners, Bill and Donna Russell. The Russell's singlehandedly did all the work required to build the home and helped Homes for Our Troops locate donated labor and materials as well as attend fundraising events. With a construction time frame of approximately 5 months, they spent approximately 400 hours working on the home and managing the subcontractors and volunteers.

KitCorp Homes graciously donated their time and services, which was valued around \$25,000. In addition, they went above and beyond the normal scope of work of a General Contractor to aid

Homes for Our Troops in finding donations of labor and materials from over 50 local businesses. That effort was worth thousands of dollars, which resulted in over \$200,000 in donated labor and materials.

Larry Gill, Veterans Liasion from Homes for Our Troops accepted NASCLA's *Community Service in Contracting Award* on behalf of Homes for Our Troops and KitCorp Homes on Wednesday, September 17, 2008 at NASCLA's 46th Annual Conference Banquet and Installation of Officers at the Marriott Grand Hotel in Point Clear, Alabama.

For more information on NASCLA and the *Community Service in Contracting Award*, please visit our website at www.nascla.org or contact the association headquarters at (623) 587-9354.