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Houston Parks and Recreation Department Joins The Home Depot and Volunteer Houston to Revitalize Edgewood Park

On Thursday, September 21, 2006, 200 volunteers from The Home Depot and Volunteer Houston will bring their muscles and community spirit to Edgewood Park in the interest of neighborhood revitalization. Together, they will tackle landscaping, graffiti removal, and the cleanup and removal of debris in the park and at the community center as part of Corporate Month of Service, a national initiative led by Hands On Network, in alliance with The Home Depot and KaBOOM!

The Edgewood Park project, located at 5803 Bellfort in southeast Houston, is one of an estimated 1,000 service projects nationwide that Hands On Network and The Home Depot will take on this year through the efforts of some 40,000 volunteers. The Corporate Month of Service, now in its second year, is guided by the goals of the Hands On Campaign to increase volunteerism by 10%, train 100,000 volunteer leaders, and create immediate, tangible impact.

"We are thrilled to have hands-on help in our effort to improve the beauty and function of Edgewood Park," says Joe Turner, Director, Houston Parks and Recreation Department. "It's great that so many people are willing to get their hands dirty in the best interest of the community, and knowing that these fine organizations back our efforts makes it all the better!"

For information on the Houston Parks and Recreation Department, please call (713) 845-1135. Visit the Houston Parks and Recreation website at www.houstonparks.org.

