



## Hackensack Home Repaired By Bergen Volunteers On Giving Tuesday

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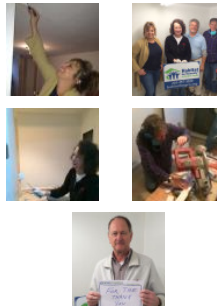
Jennifer Polidori of Pompton Lakes puts the finishing touches on a doorway on #GivingTuesday. Photo Credit: *Nicole Murray*

From left: Jennifer Polidori, Elizabeth Lowe, Site Supervisor Chris Warburton, Alan Gold and Eric Koskinen. Photo Credit: *Nicole Murray*

Elizabeth Lowe of Demarest isn't afraid to get messy. Photo Credit: *Nicole Murray*

Alan Gold uses his construction skills to help others on #Giving Tuesday. Photo Credit: *Nicole Murray*

Eric Koskinen does it for the "thank you." Photo Credit: *Nicole Murray*



**HACKENSACK, N.J. —** Volunteers from Demarest, Edgewater, Pompton Lakes, River Vale and Hackensack spent a rainy Tuesday with Habitat for Humanity of Bergen County repairing a Hackensack family's home that was destroyed by Superstorm Sandy.

The **Giving Tuesday** project on Jackson Avenue was a continuation of a tradition started in 2013 to help repair, rebuild and restore homes destroyed by the storm.

This year's volunteers included Elizabeth Lowe of Demarest; Eric Koskinen of Edgewater; Jennifer Polidor of Pompton Lakes; Alan Gold of River Vale and Site Superintendent Chris Warburton of Hackensack.

Koskinen said he enjoys using his 44 years of experience in real estate development and construction to help others.

“Nothing is more gratifying than the ‘thank you’ we receive from the future homeowner at the end of the day,” he said.

Polidori, a mother and Merrill Lynch financial advisor, said she volunteers “because giving back to my community is very important to me.”

“My kids have always been taught the importance of donating to the local food pantry, clothing and toy drives. and recycling items we no longer use to causes that benefit those in need and the environment,” she said. “Not just during the holidays but all year-round.”

Tuesday’s development marks Habitat Bergen’s 59th critical home repair since launching the project.

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