

LONG ISLAND HOME BUILDERS CARE DEVELOPMENT CORP. RECEIVES LONG ISLAND BUSINESS NEWS PHILANTHROPY AWARD

ISLANDIA (April 23, 2012) – Long Island Business News presented its annual Pay It Forward Philanthropy Award to Long Island Home Builders Care Development Corp. for its “Building New Homes for Returning Veterans” program.

LIHBCDC, the charitable arm of the Long Island Builders Institute, and this year’s other real estate award winners were honored at an April 23 dinner at the Crest Hollow Country Club in Woodbury.

LIHBCDC, which previously constructed two low-cost homes through its “Building New Homes for Returning Veterans” program, is about to undertake development of a new six-home subdivision to be known as Veterans Way on 3.1 acres of land donated by CA Technologies, which also was honored by the publication. The homes will be sold to veterans who have served during the wars in Iraq or Afghanistan. Other houses are planned for elsewhere on Long Island.

The homes will be sold at prices substantially below the market prices for new houses to qualified veterans who have applied for the program. A panel of Veterans of Foreign War post commanders will select the veterans.

LIHBCDC plans to break ground for the homes on May 23 at 11 a.m.

“It’s wonderful for our organization to be recognized with this award, which was made possible by the generosity of CA Technologies and the members of the Long Island Builders Institute,” said LIHBCDC president Tom Datre. “Our mission to build new homes for returning veterans can only be accomplished with community support. To complete this task and allow us to continue to improve the lives of returning veterans and their families requires the generosity of businesses and individuals on Long Island.”

To participate in the program, military veterans need to write a letter detailing military service history, present living status, employment status and why this program would change his or her life. Letters should be sent to Lois Fricke, director of development of LIHBCDC, 1757-58 Veterans Memorial Hwy, Islandia, N.Y. 11749. Applications for the Veterans Way subdivision must be received by May 16, 2013. Veterans also may be eligible for additional homes that will be constructed on Long Island in the future.

For more information on the program contact Fricke at 631-232-2345 or lois@lihbc.org. Any one wishing to donate to the program should contact Fricke or go to www.lihbc.com. All donations are tax deductible.

About Long Island Home Builders Care Development Corp.

LIHBCDC is a 501 (c) (3) not-for-profit charitable arm of the Long Island Builders Institute (LIBI). Its "Building New Homes for Returning Veterans" program is made possible through the joint efforts of Suffolk County, private donors, local municipalities and members of LIBI. For more information visit www.lihbc.org

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