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***XTO ENERGY & ENCORE ACQUISITION CO. TO BLITZ BUILD TWO HABITAT FOR HUMANITY HOMES IN FORT WORTH'S SUNDANCE SQUARE IN CELEBRATION OF TRINITY HABITAT'S 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY - SEPTEMBER 24-28, 2009***

**FORT WORTH, (September 23, 2009)** – Trinity Habitat for Humanity with corporate partners, XTO Energy and Encore Acquisition Company, will blitz build two houses in downtown Fort Worth's Sundance Square to celebrate Trinity Habitat's 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, September 24-28, 2009. With their companies headquartered in downtown Fort Worth, XTO Energy and Encore Acquisition's title sponsorship of the houses and the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration combines for an exciting community collaboration.

"Trinity Habitat's 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration brings together a remarkable group of corporate citizens, Habitat partner families and volunteers," said, Executive Director, Gage Yager. "We look forward to marking the first 20 years of Trinity Habitat and sharing Habitat's mission of building homes and hope during the blitz build this week."

Vaughn O. Vennerberg, II, President of XTO Energy Inc. said, "XTO is pleased to recognize the work of Trinity Habitat for Humanity by being a house and title sponsor of their 20th Anniversary celebration. They have been bringing the dream of homeownership to North Texans for many years and we appreciate their service to the community."

"Fort Worth has been very good to Encore Acquisition Company and we are delighted to be able to give something back to Fort Worth by participating in Trinity Habitat for Humanity's 20 Year Celebration. As one of the title sponsors, volunteering on this project will benefit our employees as much as the family who will eventually occupy the house. There is no better feeling than knowing you have made a positive impact on other people's lives," said Jon S. Brumley, CEO and President.

XTO Energy and Encore Acquisition employees will build the houses side by side in the Sundance Square parking lot located at 3<sup>rd</sup> and Main Street. This unprecedented event in downtown Fort Worth is generously hosted by Sundance Square and will assist in the visual display of building a Habitat home.

"Trinity Habitat for Humanity is an amazing organization that provides hope for families who need assistance," said Johnny Campbell, president and CEO of Sundance Square. "Watching two homes being built in the middle of Sundance Square will be very exciting while highlighting such an important cause. We are pleased to support Trinity Habitat for Humanity as they celebrate 20 years of improving the lives of so many people in Fort Worth and the four counties they serve: Johnson, Parker, Tarrant and Wise."

The two Habitat partner families whose lives will be changed through this historic venture are both single moms; Blanca Jimenez mother of Meleny (8) and Leticia Castaneda mother to five boys, Jesse (15), David (12), Heriberto (9), Jose (7) and Angel (4). Each family will join the volunteers in building their homes before they are moved to the respective lots in Northside Fort Worth on Monday, September 28, 2009 following a dedication ceremony that morning. This is the 10<sup>th</sup> home that Trinity Habitat has built and moved in the 20 year history. Details of the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary follow:

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**Schedule of Events:**

**Downtown Blitz Build:**

Thursday-Saturday, September 24-26, 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 27, 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

**Habitat Homecoming Block Party**

Friday, September 25, 4:30 p.m.

**Family Fun Day**

Saturday, September 26, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Open House**

Monday, September 28, 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

**Dedication Celebration**

Monday, September 28, 11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**About XTO Energy**

XTO Energy Inc. is a domestic natural gas producer engaged in the acquisition, exploitation and development of quality, long-lived oil and natural gas properties in the United States. XTO Energy was founded and is headquartered in Fort Worth, TX.

[www.xtoenergy.com](http://www.xtoenergy.com)

**About Encore Acquisition Company**

Encore Acquisition Company is engaged in the acquisition and development of oil and natural gas reserves from onshore fields in the United States. Encore Acquisition was founded and is headquartered in Fort Worth, TX. [www.encoreacq.com](http://www.encoreacq.com)

**About Sundance Square**

Located in the heart of downtown Fort Worth, historic Sundance Square is a 35-block commercial, residential, entertainment and retail district where people work, live, shop and dine. Sundance Square's beautiful landscaping, red-brick streets and turn-of-the-century buildings make it a pedestrian's delight. Named after the famed Sundance Kid, who used the Fort Worth area as a hideout, Sundance Square has been hailed as a monumental achievement in urban redevelopment.

Sundance Square is comprised of restaurants, three live theatres, an AMC theatre, Bass Performance Hall, two museums, three art galleries, numerous retail shops and boutiques, as well as two upscale residential complexes, and some of Fort Worth's prime office space.

Parking is free Monday – Friday after 5:00 p.m. and all day throughout weekends and holidays. A customer validation program during weekday business hours provides up to 2 ½ hours of free parking. More information can be found at

[www.sundancesquare.com](http://www.sundancesquare.com).

**About Trinity Habitat for Humanity**

Trinity Habitat for Humanity builds quality, affordable homes with volunteer labor and donations of money and materials. Sponsors and donors underwrite construction costs of Habitat for Humanity homes.

Trinity Habitat for Humanity has built over 363 homes in Tarrant, Johnson, Parker and Wise counties since 1989 and celebrates its 20th year of building in North Texas in 2009. [www.trinityhabitat.org](http://www.trinityhabitat.org).

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