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Paint Your Heart Out Shreveport 2019 Kick-Off

Shreveport, LA— The Paint Your Heart Out Shreveport 2019 Kickoff Event will be held at **5:30 p.m. Thursday, October 18, 2018, at the Paradise Baptist Church Activity Center, 1706 Hollywood Avenue.** The 2019 event will mark the program's 27th year.

More than 1,000 volunteers paint the homes of low to moderate-income elderly and/or disabled citizens of Shreveport. Applications are now being accepted. Homeowners have until December 31, 2018 to sign up to have their houses painted at no charge. Approved applicants must be low to moderate income homeowners, 62 years or older, and/or disabled. Houses must be located within the city limits of Shreveport in order to qualify. The goal for the 2019 program is to paint 50-75 houses. Homeowners will receive smoke detectors, and other special services at no cost. The event is scheduled for Saturday, May 11, 2019.

Organizations that would like to volunteer to paint or become a sponsor please call the Department of Community Development's Bureau of Housing & Business Development at (318) 673-7503, or Marcia Nelson, Program Coordinator at (318) 673-7528 to apply.

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