

MEDIA ALERT

WHAT: Volunteer Crews from Wisconsin and Maryland are travelling to a special construction site near Asheville, North Carolina to help complete a respite home for military families with critically ill children. **A caravan from Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin, complete with a chuck wagon, and a master painter and his crew from Baltimore, Maryland, are heading out to be on site at the Believe In Tomorrow House at Pinnacle Falls, the week of May 18. This concerted volunteer effort takes place during National Military Appreciation Month.**

WHY: In an effort to give back to the men, women and families who honor us with their dedication and service to our country, Believe In Tomorrow National Children's Foundation is on a mission to complete The House at Pinnacle Falls, the foundation's second respite home, prioritizing military families with critically ill children. The House at Pinnacle Falls will provide a mountain-top retreat for military families who have been fractured by a child's life threatening illness. They can rest, relax and regroup as a family, free of charge, and enjoy area hiking trails, fishing, scenic vistas and swimming, all within a gated resort community,

WHO: Jason Buechel and craftsmen from Natural Stone Veneers, Int, Inc., **Fond du Lac, Wisconsin (830.21 miles) (14 hour drive)**

Master Painter Carl Dakes and his team from Baltimore, Maryland **(530.81 miles) (9 hour drive)**

Believe In Tomorrow Founder & CEO, Brian Morrison from Baltimore, Maryland

WHEN: Tuesday, May 19, All teams will converge together at the House at Pinnacle Falls.

Interview Ops: Tuesday, May 19, Wednesday, May 20

WHERE: The Believe In Tomorrow House at Pinnacle Falls

102 Mountain Mist Lane

Zirconia, North Carolina 28790

*Will provide exact directions

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Believe In Tomorrow is a national non-profit organization that provides exceptional hospital and respite housing services to thousands of critically ill children and their families each year. The Foundation is the exclusive provider of pediatric hospital housing for the world renowned Johns Hopkins Children's Center. Founded in 1982, Believe In Tomorrow has designed unique programs, including Respite Housing, Hospital Housing and Hands On Adventures, that provide ongoing support to children and their families, from the child's diagnosis to the end of the treatment process. Our Hands On Adventures partners include the Professional Bull Riders Association (PBRA), the National Hot Rod Association (NHRA) and The Lightship Group, who provide Blimp and other aerial

experiences for Believe In Tomorrow Children. Believe In Tomorrow is a BBB Accredited Charity.