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### **NORTH METRO FIRE EXTENDS A “HANDYMAN” TO SENIOR FALL AND FIRE VICTIMS**

**Northglenn, CO**—With falls and fires remaining at the top of the list as the leading cause of home injury death for seniors, North Metro Fire Rescue is proud to officially partner with the Volunteers of America, “Safety of Seniors Handyman Program.” This program, offered in Denver, Arapahoe and Jefferson Counties, is also available to Adams County homeowners over the age of 60.

North Metro Fire Rescue personnel respond to incidents involving serious fall injuries and fires each week throughout our coverage area. Now, after the initial emergency is resolved, fire fighters will be able to refer these seniors to additional resources to improve the safety of their homes and prevent future tragedies. A North Metro representative will schedule a walk-through tour of the home to identify safety improvement projects to the program.

The Volunteers of America Safety of Seniors Handyman Program will send a volunteer Handyman that has been screened and selected by the VOA to provide simple repairs and minor home maintenance promoting the health, safety, and independence of

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seniors in the community. Some of the basic services the Handyman Program provides are:

- Light bulb replacement
- Installation of thermostats
- Installation of smoke/CO2 Alarms
- Installation of hand-held shower heads
- Installation of grab bars
- Replacement of light fixtures
- Repair or replace doorbells
- Repair doors and door locks

The visit and labor will be provided by the Handyman to the homeowner free of charge! The Volunteers of America Safety of Seniors Handyman Program is committed to providing services that enhance the quality of life for all seniors—this is why North Metro Fire Rescue District is a proud partner in identifying at-risk seniors!

Seniors interested in the VOA Safety of Seniors Handyman Program do not have to wait until a tragedy strikes to receive the benefit of this program! If you are a homeowner, over the age of 60, living in Adams County you can request assistance directly from the Volunteers of America, Safety of Seniors Handyman Program. Simply call (303) 297-0408 to get started!

This program provides services to those who qualify, whether you are referred by North Metro or call on your own! Don't take a chance in losing your independence.

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**About North Metro Fire Rescue District**

North Metro Fire Rescue is dedicated to your quality care. North Metro Fire Rescue provides fire protection, emergency medical services, hazardous materials response and rescue services to our community. Formed in 1946, the district now covers 63 square miles with a population of approximately 103,000 people including the City and County of Broomfield, the City of Northglenn and unincorporated areas of Boulder, Adams and Jefferson Counties.