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## **ASA MIDWEST COUNCIL MEMBERS HELPS DISTRESSED ELDERLY WOMAN AFTER REMODELOR FAILS TO COMPLETE PROJECT**

ST. LOUIS, MO—The American Subcontractors Association Midwest Council members have graciously stepped forward to donate labor, material and assistance to 77 year old Carol Bernstein of Overland, Missouri after the remodeling contractor that she had hired failed to build her room addition and took her money. Also helping with the construction management of the project is John Shea, President of Callier, Thompson, Shea who is best known for his efforts in building last year's Extreme Home Makeover which aired on ABC-TV and the RSCA (Roofing & Siding Contractors Alliance) a coalition partner with the ASA.

Ten years after Jeffrey A. Wolfson was banned for life from the home remodeling business city officials of Overland, Missouri discovered him back in business as Home Centers America. Misleading customers and performing substandard work were just a couple of the issues that consumers had complained about to the Better Business Bureau and the Missouri Attorney General's office in 1999 and these were the same practices that Mrs. Bernstein was concerned about as work on her substandard construction room addition had stopped. In addition, Mrs. Bernstein had paid over \$18,000.00 upfront to Jeffrey Wolfson for the addition in October of 2008.

In May 2009, Overland City Officials placed a "Stop Work" order on the partially constructed addition for substandard work.

On July 19, 2009, Attorney General Chris Koster filed a motion for criminal and civil contempt against Jeffrey Wolfson.

In the meantime, the ASA members and John Shea have started demolition of the original construction that the city failed and will build Mrs. Bernstein a new room addition. The project should be completed in approximately 12 to 15 days.

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