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UA 400 Pipe Trades and Mechanical Contractors Association Hold 32nd Annual Heat's On Program

Kaukauna, WI (September 21, 2024) – UA 400 Pipe Trades and Mechanical Contractors Association (MCA) are teaming up to do free furnace inspections for the 32nd Annual Heat's On Program on September 21, 2024. This year's program will benefit 31 low-income and disabled homeowners in Brown County.

Volunteers from these two organizations provide the free inspection service and, when necessary, replace dangerous heating systems at no cost to the homeowners. Volunteers replace filters and batteries in smoke detectors, and if a home doesn't have them, they will provide smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. In addition, UA 400 tradespeople make follow-up visits and when needed will replace heat exchangers, which can lead to carbon monoxide poisoning.

"UA 400 finds assisting the less fortunate people of the community a way to give back and not only to give these homeowners a sense of appreciation knowing their heating systems will be working properly but also to give our members who volunteer a way to feel good about helping someone to make a difference," said UA 400 Business Agent and Heat's On Program Coordinator Mike Augustian. "We had 47 volunteers to assist with checking on 31 homes. This year was a huge success with so many volunteers, thank you to all those that helped this year!"

Contractors participating in the Heat's On Program include [Ahern](#), [August Winters & Sons](#), [Bassett Mechanical](#), [Best Mechanical](#), [Groeschel Company](#), HMI, [Hurckman Mechanical Industries](#), [Johnson Controls](#), [Roberts Environmental Control](#), Trane, [Tweet Garot Mechanical](#).

Besides the UA 400 and Mechanical Contractors Association volunteers each year, the Heat's On Program works with the [Aging and Disability Resource Center of Brown County](#) (ADRC).

"ADRC's mission is to empower and enrich the lives of older adults, adults with disabilities, and their caregivers," said Angela VanAsten with the Aging and Disability Resource Center of Brown County. "Through Project Heat's On free furnace inspection performed by UA 400 volunteers, older adults and disabled homeowners can have peace of mind and one less worry going into the winter season."

Donations are being accepted for the Heat's On Program. Checks can be mailed to Project Heat's On, UA 400 Pipe Trades, Attn: Mike Augustian, P.O. Box 530, Kaukauna, WI 54130-0503.

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About UA 400 Pipe Trades

The UA 400 Pipe Trades, headquartered in Kaukauna, Wisconsin with an office in Fond du Lac, is comprised of approximately 2,555 members serving eighteen counties in Northeast Wisconsin. The organization is affiliated with the United Association of Plumbers and Pipefitters with an estimated 345,000 membership throughout the United States and Canada. The group's mission is to be the preferred choice for industries, employers and workers specializing in plumbing, pipefitting, HVACR service and pipe fabrication as well as provide training for its members and qualified manpower to their 105 signatory contractors. The UA 400 takes pride in their partnerships and contributions to serve local communities with organizations such as Cerebral Palsy Telethon, Special Olympics, Rebuilding Together, Heat's On Program and Salvation Army.



Forty-seven UA 400 members inspected furnaces and smoke detectors for 31 low-income and disabled homeowners in Brown County on September 21, 2024.



UA 400 kick-off for the Heat's On Program at the Labor Temple in Green Bay on September 21, 2024.



UA 400 Member and HVAC-R Service Tech Bob Gonzalez has volunteered for the Heat's On Program since its inception 32 years ago.



UA 400 Member and HVAC-R Service Tech Gary Nelson is retired from Tweet/Garot Mechanical but after 32 years he continues to volunteer for the Heat's On Program.