



Center for Independent Living IN CENTRAL FLORIDA, INC.

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RAMPAGE! 2007 BRINGS INDEPENDENCE TO PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Volunteers rally to build wheelchair ramps

WINTER PARK, FL – OCTOBER 31, 2007 – Bringing more independence and dignity to people with disabilities, the Center for Independent Living's *RAMPAGE! 2007* wheelchair ramp building event is November 2 and 3. The third annual *Rampage* brings together CIL staff and volunteers for a ramp building event aimed at giving people with disabilities more freedom.

Six ramps are scheduled to be built by volunteers from the Boy Scouts, Adventist Health Systems Information Services, the Casselberry Rotary, Gulfstream Natural Gas System, LLC, and FMC Corporation. Ramps will be built at individual's homes in Orange, Seminole, and Polk Counties.

Only 0.9% of U.S. homes currently have a wheelchair ramp, yet 29.2% of families include at least one member with a disability. One or two steps separate many people in Central Florida from working, going to the store, or visiting family and friends.

CIL Executive Director Elizabeth Howe says, "A wheelchair ramp means so much to those who would like the freedom to enter and exit their homes without assistance. People with disabilities deserve the freedom others take for granted. *Rampage 2007* is our way of helping to get the community involved and to increase awareness of the needs of people with disabilities."

The Center for Independent Living in Central Florida, Inc. is a private, non-residential, nonprofit organization dedicated to helping people with disabilities achieve their self-determined goals for independent living.

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