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## 11 Claimants Receive Awards from Residential Recovery Fund

The Nevada State Contractors Board Residential Recovery Fund Committee awarded 11 homeowners a total of \$112,503.88 from the Recovery Fund on May 17, 2006.

The Residential Recovery Fund was established by the Nevada Legislature in 1999. It offers protection to Nevada owners of single-family residences who conduct business with *licensed* contractors for the performance of any construction, remodeling, repair or improvement. An owner *must* occupy the residence to qualify. An applicant's eligibility to receive funds is determined after an investigation is conducted by the Contractors Board. The Fund was designed to assist in providing relief to homeowners, when they have been damaged by licensed contractors.

Contractors are required by law (NRS 624.400 – 624.560) to provide information to a homeowner regarding the Residential Recovery Fund upon establishment of a residential contract with the homeowner. To be considered for the Fund, a complaint must be filed with the Contractors Board within four years after the completion of work.

A single claim cannot exceed \$35,000 and claims against a single contractor cannot exceed \$400,000. As of July 2004 through July 2005, the Nevada State Contractors Board has awarded \$810,915 to claimants through the Residential Recovery Fund.

Additional information regarding the Residential Recovery Fund and other services provided by the Nevada State Contractors Board may be obtained by calling: (702) 486-1100 in Southern Nevada, or (775) 688-1141 in Northern Nevada.

Information is also available on the Contractors Board website at:

www.nscb.state.nv.us

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