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## AEGIS EXTERIORS DONATES TO RANDY THE RUNNING MAN OF PENSACOLA

April 3, 2023 (Pensacola, Fla.): Aegis Exteriors, a Pensacola-based siding and exteriors company, recently announced it will be donating its services to renovate the exterior of Randy "The Running Man" Stewart's home. The project will consist of repairs and upgrades to the home's siding, porches and handrails.

Running for more than two decades, Stewart earned his "Running Man of Pensacola" nickname from a 1998 Pensacola News Journal article. The article shared his story and that of the Pensacola residents who still, to this day, love to watch him run and wave as he passes by.

Shawna Fuller, a friend of Stewart, recently started a GoFundMe page for him to help fix up the home he shared with his mother, who recently passed away. Fuller and her husband are close to Stewart and offered to help. Now, with the help of Aegis, the project is estimated to be complete by this spring.

According to an interview on studeri.org, Stewart is called the Running Man because he says, "I really love to run." Having worked in maintenance at the Pensacola Naval Air Station for 36 years, Stewart said he runs by the hour so he doesn't keep track how far he runs, but he always carries two U.S. flags. He explains the "flag on the top is for all of the living Americans and the flag on the bottom is in honor of those who have died."

There is a Facebook page dedicated to Stewart called "Randy, the running man of west Pensacola," and it features well-wishers posting sightings of Stewart as he runs through the city, flags flying.

The Aegis project will consist of removing old asbestos siding and replacing it with new vinyl siding, removing and replacing the front porch handrails and back porch landing, and re-painting the front and back porches. The company is also installing a large flagpole and American flag in the front yard.

Aegis is grateful to the following vendors for their material donation to this project: Westlake Royal Building Products, vinyl siding and shutters; James Hardie, fiber cement trim boards; and ABC Supply Co., trim coil.

"We feel it is very important that Aegis Exteriors gives back to our local community, and no one is more deserving than Randy the Running Man," said **Marcus Timpner**, president of Aegis Exteriors. "Randy brings so many smiles to the faces of both Pensacola residents and visitors alike; we are just hoping that we can put a smile on Randy's face as well."

"The staff at Aegis Exteriors have such big hearts and really care about the community they work and live in," said **Adam Campbell**, president of 68 Ventures. "We are grateful to have Aegis Exteriors as part of the 68 Ventures team."

To follow the project's progress, follow <u>https://www.facebook.com/remodel.for.randy</u>. Randy the Running Man of Pensacola's Go-Fund-Me page is titled, Fundraiser by Shawna Fuller : Randy the Running Man (gofundme.com).

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## **About Aegis Exteriors:**

Aegis Exteriors offers fiber cement and vinyl siding for new construction, remodels and repairs across the Gulf Coast. Find additional information at <u>https://aegisext.com/</u>.

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