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## **“DELIVER DALLAS” SETS THE CHALLENGE FOR MEALS ON WHEELS VOLUNTEER SERVICE**

Employees of Citi, a financial services company, made 2,850 Meals on Wheels deliveries in Dallas County on June 7, 2007 for the Visiting Nurse Association. The event, “Deliver Dallas,” aimed to publicize the need for Meals on Wheels volunteer drivers and challenge other companies to become involved.

Included with the meal deliveries were a balloon bouquet and cake for three seniors who had turned 105, 90, and 85 years old that day.

Kathleen Gibson, president of Citibank Texas, and Robert Carpenter, president and CEO of the Visiting Nurse Association, addressed the more than 900 Citi employees assembled outside the corporation’s Irving headquarters prior to making their Meals on Wheels deliveries.

“Half of all Meals on Wheels deliveries on a typical day are now made by paid drivers because there are not enough volunteers,” noted Mr. Carpenter. “A volunteer driver delivering just one Meals on Wheels route on a single day saves VNA enough money to provide a homebound elderly or disabled individual with a home-delivered meal for an entire week,” he added.

Groups or Individuals interested in volunteering to deliver Meals on Wheels should call (214) 689-2210.

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Robert Carpenter (left), VNA president and CEO, and Kathleen Gibson, Citibank president, helped send off Citi employees who delivered 2,850 Meals on Wheels during "Deliver Dallas."



VNA staff gathered outside Citi headquarters for "Deliver Dallas" on June 5, 2007.

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