

BOYNTON BEACH – Habitat for Humanity and the Boynton Beach Faith Based Community Development Corp. are collaborating with the city to build 21 homes on the old site of Boynton Terrace.

Representatives of city, the two organizations and other partners involved in the project broke ground on the project, called Ocean Breeze West, Friday afternoon.

Construction on the first homes is expected to begin in early March; the final home will be completed in 2014. Projected construction cost: \$2.1 million, Habitat Executive Director Mike Campbell said.

It is the first multi-home project undertaken by Habitat for Humanity of South Palm Beach County.

Boynton Terrace, built in the early 1980s, turned into an eyesore with crime, rats and roaches. In 2004, Boynton Terrace was battered by Hurricanes Frances and Jeanne. It was torn down in 2005.

for
the second month in a row. The industry added 42,000 jobs per month, on average, during the first 10 months of 2011.

Government employment changed little in December but was down by 280,000 over the year. Job losses in 2011 occurred in local government; state government, excluding education; and the U.S. Postal Service.

The average workweek for all employees on private nonfarm payrolls increased by 0.1 hour to 34.4 hours in December. The manufacturing workweek increased by 0.1 hour to 40.5 hours. Factory overtime decreased by 0.1 hour to 3.2 hours. The average workweek for production and nonsupervisory employees on

private nonfarm payrolls edged up by 0.1 hour to 33.7 hours. (See tables B-2 and B-7.)

In December, average hourly earnings for all employees on private nonfarm payrolls rose by 4 cents, or 0.2 percent, to \$23.24. Over the past 12 months, average hourly earnings have increased by 2.1 percent. In December, average hourly earnings of private-sector production and nonsupervisory employees were unchanged at \$19.54. (See tables B-3 and B-8.)

The change in total nonfarm payroll employment for October was revised from +100,000 to +112,000, and the change for November was revised from +120,000 to +100,000.