



## **AIS Provides Office Furniture for the Largest Build in ABC's *Extreme Makeover: Home Edition* History**

*The build benefits The Fishing School in Washington D.C. – marks AIS's second partnership with EMHE*

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*Hudson, MA – February 8, 2010* – AIS, has partnered with *Extreme Makeover: Home Edition* (EMHE) to provide office furniture to a newly rebuilt school in Washington D.C. The amazing transformation will be aired Sunday, February 14<sup>th</sup> 9pm EST on ABC. The Emmy Award-winning reality TV series stormed the nation's capital to rebuild The Fishing School which offers after school programs to children ages 6-13, empowering the youth to dream big and provides the tools to make those dreams a reality. AIS' donation includes the office furniture for 3 floors and installation services, provided by Maryland Office Interiors. Interior Architects (IA) of Washington, DC provided the design and planning resources.

AIS' donation includes over 24 Matrix Workstations, 3 Private Offices, 4 Teacher's stations, 1 Conference Room Table, 43 Element Chairs, and 80 Storage units.

"The moment we heard about The Fishing School, our design team called AIS, as we were confident they could pull this off. From the space planning and design concept stages, to the production and install, AIS truly took the design and functionality of the new Fishing School to the next level. We are beyond grateful for their generosity, support and dedication to this amazing organization," said Kim Lewis, Art Director, *Extreme Makeover: Home Edition*.

"This is the second time AIS has contributed to *Extreme Makeover: Home Edition*. AIS is passionate about supporting its community. The *Extreme* build in Hawaii was such a success and inspiration for both the Keiki O Ka Aina Family and AIS, it was a simple decision to supply the requested donation of product and effort again to another encouraging project," said Rob Lazarus, Executive Vice President, Sales & Marketing, AIS. "We also could not have done this without the teams at Interior Architects and Maryland Office Interiors who provided ground level support to ensure this is a perfect build from start to finish," continues Lazarus.

In the 5th season premiere, AIS furnished over 20 office spaces in the rebuild of the Keiki O Ka Aina Family Learning Center located in Honolulu, Hawaii. At the time, the assignment represented the most traveled distance and largest build in the history of *Extreme Makeover: Home Edition*. AIS manufactured, delivered and installed 22 workstations from Boston to Honolulu, HI in a week. The current build in Washington D.C. with the Fishing School now represents the largest build to date.

### **About "The Fishing School"**

The Fishing School is a nationally-recognized youth development organization that provides children and families with academic and parental support through its community-based centers located in Washington, DC. The philosophy of TFS is inspired by the adage, "If you give a man a fish, you will feed him for a day. Teach him how to fish, and he will feed himself for a lifetime."

### **About AIS**

AIS is a leading manufacturer of commercial and government office furniture and boasts one of the most impressive stories of growth and success in the systems furniture market. The company is known for offering feature-rich product lines that entice designers and meet immediate and future needs of end-users while offering exceptional value. AIS is an innovator that leads the industry in sustainability, lean manufacturing, lead-time and manufacturing flexibility. To learn more about AIS visit: [www.ais-inc.com](http://www.ais-inc.com)

### **About *Extreme Makeover: Home Edition***

The Emmy award winning reality program "*Extreme Makeover: Home Edition*," now in its 7th season, is produced by Endemol USA, a division of Endemol Holding. It's executive-produced by Anthony Dominici. David Goldberg is Chairman, Endemol North America. The show airs Sundays from 8:00-9:00 p.m., ET on ABC.