

Frequently Asked Questions

~ What days will we be gone?

The 2023 trip will be July 9 – 14.

~ How much does it cost?

We are asking each participant to contribute \$75 toward the cost of fuel, food, & supplies. If you have ever considered going on this trip but the cost was prohibitive, please let us know. We have had several folks offer to sponsor one or more individuals for the trip. Please see Amanda & Andrew privately and we will make sure your fee is covered! We would hate for this fee to prevent someone from serving.

~ Do I need experience in construction to come on the trip?

No experience needed! Some of our most skilled participants started coming when they were just kids with no experience! We have project/jobs great and small for experience levels of everyone.

~ What kind of work do we do?

The answer to this question varies every year. Typically, our team builds a home structure, whether it's an entire home or an addition to an existing structure. We frame out walls and put them up. We put trusses up for a roof & do roof preparations. In the past we have also done plumbing, roof repair, insulation, built wheelchair ramps, & even built a car-worthy bridge! We do what we are called to do!

~ How do we get there?

We carpool. We as few vehicles as we can. We ask for volunteers to drive a little closer to the dates of the trip. We usually rent a large trailer to transport large tools & building supplies.

~ Where do we stay?

The past several years we have stayed at Philippi United Methodist Church in Philippi, WV. We sleep in classrooms on their lower level, cook in their kitchen & have meals & fellowship in the fellowship hall.

~ What do we eat?

- We serve a hot breakfast every morning (breakfast sandwiches, pancakes, breakfast casserole, french toast, etc.) There are usually cereal options & pop-tarts too.
- Lunches are packed in the morning in brown paper bags to have lunch on the job site. We have a large variety of sandwiches, snacks, fruits, vegetables, & desserts to choose from.
- A snack/appetizer is provided to snack on while everyone is showering.
- We have a wide variety of dinner menu items! In the past we have had pizza, lasagna, tacos, pulled pork sandwiches, stir-fry, fried chicken, and so many other delicious meals!

We promise, you won't go hungry!

~What does our daily schedule look like?

July 9 – Church, Lunch, Travel, Unpacking, & Preparing for our 1st workday.

July 10 – 13

6:00 am – Breakfast & packing lunch

7:00 am – Carpool to the jobsite

7:30 am – 12:00 pm – Work on site

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm – Lunch on site & devotions

1:00 pm – 5:30 pm – Work on site or on offsite projects

(Dinner prep crew leaves around 4:30 pm)

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm – Showers, chores, relaxing, Dinner prep

6:30 pm – 8:00 pm – Dinner

8:00 pm – 10:00 pm -Free time, games & fellowship, early to bed

10:00 pm – lights out, but many people head to bed earlier than 10.

July 14 – Pack picnic lunch, pack up belongings, clean up church, & travel home. We are usually home early afternoon. We will let loved ones know our ETA as soon as possible.

~ What if I don't have any tools?

That's OK too. We have a small stockpile of tools like hammers, tape measures, work gloves, etc. Please let us know if you need any basic tools and we will make sure you are covered.

If you have any other questions, please feel free to contact any one of us!

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