

Volunteer Information Packet



Scheduled Days and Times:

- Tuesday, April 16, 2024 from 7:00am-1pm

Please arrive on time.

Work Location: Valor Vista

1190 N. Valor 85712 (please park on street)

ALL participants are required to register online prior to your build date. Your group leader should send you the registration link along with this packet and any other information.

What to Wear:

- Shoes that are CLOSED-TOED and have backs. SLIP-ONS are not permitted.
- Work boots are preferred; thick-soled tennis shoes will be allowed. Please make sure tennis shoes have a solid grip on the sole.
- Please wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty or soiled.
- **NO Short shorts allowed & No Bright Orange Clothing**
- Dress for the weather

What to Bring:

- Refillable Water Bottle
- Sun Block
- Snacks or lunch (we always have extra water and small snacks on hand)
- Tools
 - Habitat will provide all PPE hand tools, power tools, aprons and supplies, work gloves and safety glasses and hard hats
 - Habitat also has hand sanitizer, hand wash stations, Clorox wipes etc for you to use as needed.

Type of Construction Work:

No experience is necessary. Trained Habitat leaders will guide volunteers through the day's activities. Flexibility and patience are important on a worksite. You can expect varying opportunities such as:

- Framing or raising walls
- Installing doors or windows
- Trim work
- Painting (indoor/outdoor)
- Landscape or site prep
- Stucco prep
- Install siding
- And other duties as assigned.

Please inform your crew lead if you are unable to perform a certain task. We are happy to work with you.

Age Restrictions:

- 16-17 yrs. old cannot use power tools or work on the roof.
- Youth must be identified as “youth” on their nametag.
- **Volunteers must be at least 16 years old to volunteer on site (according to the Youth Employment Act of AZ).**

SAFETY OVERVIEW:

The job site is often a place full of activity. Please be aware of safety at all times. You are responsible for your own safety as well as the safety of others. If you see something unsafe, please mitigate the problem or notify your Habitat leader. No one under 16 years old is permitted on or around the active construction site. Teens 16 & 17 may not use power tools or work on the roof.

All volunteers must sign a waiver before participating in construction. Volunteers should carry medical identification and emergency contact information on the job site.

Power Tools

- Before operating any power equipment, always seek instruction from the Habitat leaders.
- Be sure to wear safety glasses when using power tools.
- Inspect the cords, outlets and blades before using.
- Do not disable any safety features.

Roofs and Ladders

- Use a partner to steady a ladder and make sure A-frame ladders are always fully extended.
- Place on a stable surface and take the time to move the ladder rather than leaning out too far.
- When working on the roof, move slowly and carefully and NEVER walk backwards.
- Never lay anything down on a roof. Be careful with tools and other objects so that they do not fall off and injure others. Be aware of people working above and below you.

Lifting and Carrying

When lifting, stand close to the load, bend your knees, grasp firmly, and then lift by straightening your legs.



The “Men in Orange”

- Habitat Tucson contracts with the Department of Corrections. The DOC crew is an important program for Habitat as part of an ongoing partnership to help them build skills while they assist us in building homes. Below are a few tips in working with the “men in orange”.
- Do not take pictures.
- Do not give out personal information.
- Do not share food.
- DO say “Hello” as they do so much for Habitat

Questions, comments, concerns?

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