

Volunteer “Help Wanted”

Public Speakers/Educators

- Homeowner Recruitment - Outgoing, well-spoken people with enthusiasm and genuine love for people from all walks of life to lead informational sessions on Habitat's unique homeownership program using a Power Point presentation.
- Faith Relations Presenters - People in the faith community willing to reach out to local congregations to solicit and fulfill speaking engagements for York Habitat for Humanity.
- Volunteer Orientations - We are in need of outgoing, well-spoken people with enthusiasm to lead volunteer orientations.

Creative/Artistic

- Artistic individuals familiar with current desktop publishing program, able to create nice looking graphics for ad-hoc newsletters, invitations, posters, etc.
- Volunteer to update all of the local entertainment calendars.
- Create a scrapbook as a gift that is presented to the homeowner at their House Dedication.
- Create greeting cards or calendars using photographs and Habitat children's drawings

Writers

- Writer for the monthly Church Ambassadors informational email.
- Talented writers to conduct interviews and write articles for the quarterly print newsletter and monthly e-news bulletins.
- Write ongoing press releases to keep Habitat in the news. Subjects include human interest stories involving our families, promoting events that supporters are doing to benefit Habitat, etc.

Social Services

- Supportive people to provide encouragement and direction as “Family Partners” to program candidates as they work through the requirements of the homeownership program.
- Conduct various workshops for Habitat families covering cost saving measures such as coupon clipping, energy efficiency, household organization & storage tips, insurance & wills, etc.
- Network with other non-profits to promote our program among their clients who might qualify for Habitat homes.

Construction

- Experienced construction workers to serve as “Crew Leaders” overseeing volunteers on jobsites when staff cannot be present.
- Remodelors and contractors capable of doing blue print take-offs, preparing cost estimates for rehabs, obtaining quotes from subcontractors and vendors for materials, preparing detailed material lists, and project schedules.
- People interested in helping Habitat move toward energy efficient, environmentally friendly construction techniques and products.
- Outgoing people passionate for Habitat's work to seek in-kind donations of materials and professional services.
- Serve as a worksite coordination assuring that everyone is signed in and volunteers are engaged on the site as well as coordinating volunteer site supervisors.
- Coordinating Brush with Kindness activities involving minor home repairs for lower income families

Business Networking/Development

- Business professional with a heart for charity? Networker? Like meeting new people in the community? Grab a few friends or sign up on your own and help Habitat change lives and transform neighborhoods! We're looking for 8 business professionals to connect with other business people, share Habitat's vision of affordable housing for all, and offer opportunities for businesses to become part of the solution. Team members should be enthusiastic about impacting people's lives, have about two hours a month for business lunches to make the Habitat pitch, and an additional hour to meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month with other teams within the Development Committee. Habitat will provide guidance, resources, and support!

Sponsorships Team

- Are you a “people person?” One of those folks no one can say “no” to? Like a challenge? Habitat is seeking at least four folks to locate, and reach out to, local businesses to be sponsors of specific events & activities so we can maximize the dollars we spend on affordable housing and minimize overhead costs. Habitat will provide the list of items/activities and the team will seek people to donate or underwrite them. Consider asking co-workers or your club to adopt this philanthropic cause and take on this challenge of seeking sponsorships for a cause together! The more the merrier and you WILL be making a difference!

Special Events Team

- Not to be confused with the “Gala” Team, this group is responsible for orchestrating other Habitat events throughout the year such as socials for prospective donors and the annual volunteer & donor recognition reception. A few party planners with a few hours a month to spare, and some creativity are needed!
- Distributing flyers and literature to public venues for event promotions

Computer Work (most can be done at home)

- Research grants and other funding opportunities on the web and at the library
- Perform Google searches to obtain information for our database
- Database entry – after being trained on our software, you can help to enter potential donors and sweat equity hours into our database

Office Help

- Helping with administrative tasks such as answering phones, filing, copying
- Completing thank you calls to volunteers and donors

Youth Programs

Coordinate, participate or organize programs such as:

- Adapt a board – youth paint the 2” x 4’ boards that are used to frame an actual Habitat home
- Block clean up parties – clean up yards and sidewalks of the neighborhoods in which our Habitat families currently live
- Build dog houses and bird houses out of the left over materials from the construction site to then be donated or raffled
- Build window boxes or benches for Habitat homes
- Yard “Flamingo-ing” or The Pink Toilet Drop – Crazy items are placed in yards (Really unique fundraiser)
- Provide lunches or snacks on the worksite during special builds
- Fundraisers such as Bowl-A-thon, Bike-A-thon, Nail driving contest, Flower and candy sales for the holidays, Nickels for Nails Change Drive

The list goes on and on! There is a place for everyone at York Habitat. Just give us a call with your interest or ideas and we’ll be sure to get you involved!

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