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Poplar Grove Volunteer Construction Info

Thank you for your signing up to volunteer with Habitat for Humanity of the St. Vrain Valley! The following is general information regarding volunteering on the Construction Worksite.

<u>WHEN:</u> We build from **8 AM until 4 PM**. We ask that our volunteers commit to a full day. Volunteer Safety Orientation begins promptly at 8 AM the morning you volunteer. Please plan to arrive about 10 minutes early to sign-in and take care of paperwork. Volunteers who arrive after the safety orientation may not be able to participate.

FORMS: Please read our Work Crew Safety Manual and complete the Release and Waiver before arriving at the site. The Release and Waiver must be witnessed by a Habitat employee at the site when you arrive to volunteer. Minors (ages 16 and 17) must have their Release and Waiver for Minors signed by a Parent/Guardian and their Parent/Guardian's signature must be witnessed before they are permitted on the worksite. Note: Waivers only need to be filled out once per year for each site.

WHERE: Please park in the parking lot behind the Park & Ride located at 815 SOUTH Main St in Longmont. Please park in the back of the lot in the Southwest corner, then follow signs walk through the gap in the fence (West of the parking lot) towards South Coffman St. Turn RIGHT and head NORTH towards the construction site, located at 818 South Coffman St (approximately 100 yards). See the map to the right. You should be able to see the construction site from the fence.

<u>WHAT:</u> If you would like to get a general idea of what tasks will be done on the day you've signed up for, check out our

the Work Plans on our website: http://www.stvrainhabitat.org/new-page-1 under "Work Plans for the Week - Longmont" on the right-hand side.

<u>SUPPLIES:</u> Volunteering requires neither experience nor supplies. We try to provide enough equipment for everyone, and instruction is provided. If you do, however, have your own tools that you would prefer to use, we ask that you please make sure that they are labeled so that we can return them if they become misplaced. Items that are helpful to have on hand are tool belts, hammers, pencils and measuring tape. Additionally, it is handy to bring work gloves and safety glasses, if you have them. We have water jugs on site, but **volunteers may want to bring a water bottle** to fill up and carry with them.

<u>ATTIRE:</u> It is always a good idea to wear sunscreen and to dress in layers for the unpredictable Colorado weather. Close-toed shoes are required on the worksite at all times. Volunteers should wear clothing that is appropriate for getting dirty and for painting, as this is a possible task performed while volunteering at the site. Clothing should not be too loose-fitting, as baggy clothing can cause a safety hazard.

LUNCH: There will be a 30-minute break for lunch. **Lunch is NOT provided.** Please plan to bring a lunch or find something in the area.





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<u>WEATHER:</u> It is not often that we are forced to cancel due to adverse weather conditions. However, it is a possibility if the safety of the volunteers a concern to the Construction Site Supervisor. Therefore, **if you are scheduled to volunteer on a day on which weather conditions are questionable, the office phone voice mail will be updated by 7:15 AM to indicate whether or not construction will take place as scheduled. Please call the office at <u>303-682-2485 (Ext. 6)</u> should this become the case on your scheduled volunteered day.**

SCHEDULING: We ask that volunteers **please register in advance** so that we may ensure that there are enough work and supplies for everyone. Individuals who have not scheduled in advance will not be accommodated on the worksite. If you are NOT able to fulfill your volunteer commitment, please unregister yourself online or let the Volunteer Manager know at the information below.

PRAYER: Habitat was founded in 1976 as an ecumenical Christian organization to assist low income individuals in purchasing simple, decent, affordable homes that they would otherwise not have the opportunity to own. **In keeping with this non-denominational Christian history, a prayer is typically said at the beginning of the workday.** Of course, participation is always optional.

THANK YOU! We appreciate your interest in volunteering with Habitat for Humanity of the St. Vrain Valley! If you have any questions or require further information, please feel free to contact me. We look forward to seeing you out at the worksite!

Thanks again!

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