Mission to Sulphur, LA

Frequently Asked Questions

As you know the COVID-19 situation is very fluid, so the information below is subject to change as we make every effort to make your volunteer experience as safe as practical. And, of course, also protecting the homeowners we serve. We'll be asking you to sign an additional certification upon arrival regarding your potential exposure (see downloadable document file). And we'll also give a detailed COVID-19 rules of the road for you upon arrival.

Q: What is a good source of information on Hurricanes Laura and Delta?

A: Hurricane Laura:
https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hurricane_Laura
B: Hurricane Delta:
https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hurricane_Delta

Q: Who are our hosts and partners in Sulphur?

Celebration Worship Center
3231 Hwy 27 S
Sulphur, LA
Phone: 337.528.2626
https://www.cwcsulphur.com/

Olivet Baptist Church
601 Patch St
Sulphur, LA
Phone: 337.528.2829
https://www.olivetbaptistchurchsulphur.com

Q: Describe the volunteer housing?

A: You’ll be staying at either Celebration Worship Center’s Youth Building, or at Olivet Baptist Church. Both of our church partners are located just a few short blocks from each other here in Sulphur. Both churches sustained some damage during Hurricane Laura, but they are enthusiastic supporters of our recovery efforts. The physical address above is not for mailing. Please use the following for mailing:

Fuller Center Disaster ReBuilders
PO Box 3003
Sulphur, LA 70664-3003

B: We have capacity for 16 volunteers at each church.

C: We have a kitchen and dining area set up in the volunteer housing.
Q: How much is the registration fee?

A: The registration fee ($100) is used to cover room & board and miscellaneous volunteer expenses as well as limited construction expenses. Checks should be written to:

Fuller Center Disaster ReBuilders
201 West NASA Pkwy
Webster, TX 77598

Q: What are the requirements for volunteers?

A: You must be at least 16 years old to volunteer with Fuller Center Disaster ReBuilders. Volunteers under 18 years old are permitted to work on the construction site, but must be supervised by a parent or legal guardian at all times. You must also complete our “Minor Permission Consent Form.”

B: Background checks are required on all volunteers. Team leaders will be required to certify on behalf of their sponsoring organization (church, etc.) that all team members have successfully completed a “Sex Offender Registry Check.”

Q: Which meals are provided?

A: Dinner will be provided on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. We look at Wednesday and Friday night as your opportunity to sample the local cuisine. Each weekday, we also provide breakfast and bag lunch.

B: Volunteers may be asked to support the hospitality host with meal preparation, serving and clean-up.

Q: What is the daily schedule?

A: The schedule is as follows:

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<td>Evening presentations/Face of God (varies)</td>
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Q: Will there be an orientation on Sunday night?

A: Yes, the mandatory Sunday night orientation is accomplished in conjunction with the 6:00 PM dinner.
Q: Will we still be doing Face of God?

A: Absolutely, the daily devotions and sharing our stories from the day is an important part of our ministry.

Q: What is the closest airport? Is airport pick-up available?

A: The closest airport is Lake Charles Regional Airport, which is 24 miles from our volunteer camp. We do not provide airport pick-ups.

Q: Are there vehicles available to get to the worksite?

A: No, you’ll have to provide your own transportation.

Q: Is WiFi available?

A: Yes.

Q: Do you provide bedding, linens and towels?

A: Plan to sleep on a bunk bed or a cot with a mattress, so bring a sleeping bag or linens. There should be pillows available. Bring your own towel.

Q: Is there a washing machine and dryer available?

A: No

Q: What type of construction will we be doing?

A. We’ll be doing rehabs—primarily repairing wind damage. However, many homes suffered roof damage resulting in limited interior water damage. On the exterior, you’ll be painting, repairing/replacing, siding, windows and doors. For interior damage, you’ll be insulating, drywalling, floors and doors, cabinets and vanities, trimming, painting, etc.

Q: Should we bring tools?

A. It is always a good idea to bring your own work gloves and safety glasses. We now have three well stocked tool trailers, but for those of you who prefer to use your own, feel free to bring what you’d like.

Q: Are there volunteer opportunities other than construction?

A: Volunteer teams may help with meal preparation, serving and clean up.
Q: Are there nearby hotels?

   A. There are numerous hotels in the area if you’re more comfortable there.

Q: Are there restaurants nearby? Are there local attractions we should consider visiting?

   A: We can provide you a list of local restaurants and attractions upon your arrival.

Q: Do you have t-shirts for this mission?

   A: Yes. Your registration fee includes one t-shirt; additional t-shirts will be $15 per shirt.

Q: Are there parking locations for RVs?

   A. We have limited spots for RV parking at the church. Please contact Lyn Wilson for availability. There are also several campgrounds in the area, which may now have room for weekly renters.

Q: How do I register and pay the registration fee?

   A. Please register online at:
      http://fullercenter.org/disaster-rebuilders/

   B. If you prefer a group registration to individual registrations, contact Lyn below for appropriate forms.

Q. Whom do I contact for additional information?

   Lyn Wilson, Volunteer Scheduler
   Fuller Center Disaster ReBuilders
   Phone: 346.763.7499
   E-mail: disaster-rebuilders@fullercenter.org