



Greenville Texas Habitat for Humanity  
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Dear Volunteer:

Thanks for volunteering with Greenville Texas Habitat for Humanity. We look forward to working with you as we continue to build a community of hope, dignity, and self-worth through the construction of quality homes, family nurturing, and education.

I have included a short description of our Mission, Goals and background information as well as our liability form that must be completed by each volunteer. I am here to make your experience as meaningful as possible, so if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Your willingness to help others help themselves is true compassion demonstrated in service. On behalf of our families, and Greenville Texas Habitat for Humanity, I would like to thank you again for your dedication to such a worthwhile cause.

Sincerely,  
Larry Colgan  
Volunteer Coordinator  
Greenville Texas Habitat for Humanity



## Greenville Texas Habitat for Humanity Fact Sheet

### **Mission**

Greenville Texas Habitat for Humanity, an ecumenical housing ministry in partnership with families, volunteers and others, builds communities of hope, dignity, and self-worth through the construction of quality, affordable housing.. Our goal is to eradicate substandard low-income housing in Greenville, Texas.

### **Mission Statement**

Greenville Texas Habitat for Humanity ADVANCES social justice through a Christian housing ministry that PROVIDES ownership of decent, affordable housing, and BUILDES a stronger community.

### **General Information**

Greenville Texas Habitat for Humanity is a 501(c)(3), non-profit organization founded in 1987. We are an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International. HFHI was founded in 1976 by Millard Fuller, in an effort to eliminate poverty housing and homelessness worldwide and make decent shelter a matter of faith and works.

### **How It Works**

Using volunteer labor and donations of money and materials, Habitat builds simple, decent homes, working hand-in-hand with low-income homebuyers we know as partner families. Habitat homes are sold with no profit added to the sale price and no interest charged on the mortgage.

Habitat is not a give-away program. Families must qualify for our program. First, the family must have the *need* for a home, the *ability* to pay for a home, and the *willingness* to participate in our program. The families must be permanent residents of the United States, have good or no credit history, and have proof of steady income for the past 2 years. Also, the family must earn between 25-60% of the median income of the area.

Partner families invest 200 hours of “sweat equity” in building their own home and homes of others. Then the families buy their houses and make monthly mortgage payments. These payments are put in our “Fund for Humanity,” a revolving fund that helps build more homes.



**RELEASE FROM LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT**

I, (please print) \_\_\_\_\_, acknowledge that I have volunteered to participate without pay on the construction site and in other activities with Greenville Texas Habitat for Humanity Inc. (“Habitat”). I understand that these activities are not conducted in the course of trade or commerce and do not involve the lease or sale of goods or services.

I am aware that construction is a HAZARDOUS ACTIVITY. I am voluntarily participating in the activities of construction, with the knowledge of the danger involved and with the knowledge that medical facilities may not be available in the event of illness or injury to myself. I acknowledge that I have received and read a copy of the Construction Safety Guidelines and hereby agree to accept any and all risk of injury, illness, or death and verify this statement by placing my signature below.

I hereby agree that I, my assignees and heirs will not make a claim against, sue, or make demand against Habitat, its directors, officers, agents, employees, volunteers, suppliers, contractors, or subcontractors for injury, illness or damage resulting from my participation in Habitat activity. I HEREBY RELEASE HABITAT FROM ALL ACTIONS, CLAIMS OR DEMANDS THAT I, OR MY REPRESENTATIVES, NOW HAVE, OR MAY HEREAFTER HAVE, FOR INJURY, DEATH, OR DAMAGE RESULTING FROM MY PARTICIPATION IN HABITAT ACTIVITES INCLUDING ACTIONS, CLAIMS, OR DEMANDS RESULTING IN WHOLE OR IN PART FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF HABITAT OR ITS DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, AGENTS EMPLOYEES, SUPPLIERS OR CONTRACTORS. THIS RELEASE IS INTENDED BY BOTH PARTIES TO BE BROAD IN ITS EFFECT.

I have carefully read this release from Liability and Assumption of Risk Agreement and I fully understand its contents and that Habitat is relying upon this release in allowing me to participate in volunteer activities. I am aware that this is a release of liability and a legal contract between me, Greenville Texas Habitat for Humanity and that it affects my legal rights. I am signing this document of my own free will.

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**Participant Signature**

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**Date**

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**Print Name**

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**Signature of guardian if volunteer is under 18**

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**Emergency Contact Name**

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**Emergency Contact Phone**