



VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION

Project Location		Dates volunteer served From ____/____/____ To ____/____/____		# Days Worked
Disaster Type		Project Director(s)		
Name (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)			Home Phone (____) _____	
Mailing Address			Cell Phone if You Have Cell Phone With You (____) _____	
City		State	Zip	Email
Emergency Contact Name		Relationship		Emergency Phone (____) _____
Denomination		Local Church		District
Medical Insurance Provider			Medical Insurance ID #	
Age				
<p>Indicate the amount of experience you have had in each area listed below, by ranking them 1 to 5, and if you are willing to teach or learn by marking a T (for Teach) or an L (for Learn).</p> <p>1 Professional/Licensed 2 Much Experience 3 Some Experience 4 Little Experience 5 No Experience</p>				
_____ Drywall	_____ Cabinets	_____ Block Masonry	_____ Electrical	
_____ HVAC	_____ Concrete	_____ Brick Masonry	_____ Flooring-wood/laminate	
_____ Siding	_____ Painting	_____ Framing-exterior	_____ Large Group Cooking	
_____ Tile	_____ Plumbing	_____ Framing-interior	_____ First Aid	
_____ Trim	_____ Roofing	_____ Insulation	_____ Other _____	

Additional information about yourself, such as hobbies, experiences, and interests:

ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT AND RELEASE

I understand that by volunteering, to assist any of the entities or persons listed below, I do so at my own risk.

In consideration of being permitted to assist in disaster cleanup and reconstruction, I further agree that any and all of the entities or persons listed shall not be liable for any damages arising from personal injuries sustained by me at or about the disaster site, or in traveling to and from the location;

I further fully and forever release and discharge any and all of the entities listed, its directors, employees and agents, and any persons listed, from any and all claims, demands, damages or causes of action, present or future, whether the same be known, anticipated or unanticipated, resulting from or arising out of my service in disaster response.

(Please initial by each that is applicable)

____ Brethren Disaster Ministries, a program of the Church of the Brethren, an Illinois not-for-profit corporation

I have read and understood, and sign the foregoing Assumption of Risk and Release this _____ day of _____, 20____. Project Location: _____

(Signature)

(Parent or Legal Guardian, if under 18)

Ethical Guidelines for Disaster Volunteers At Brethren Disaster Ministries Projects

Disaster volunteers:

1. Represent the Church in all they do. Their attitudes and actions should be in keeping with the teachings of Christ and the values of the Church of the Brethren. Each volunteer is a living example of Christ ministering to others;
2. Understand and accept the reality that their actions and attitudes reflect on all other workers;
3. Are sensitive and take time to listen to persons affected by the disaster. (To listen requires an understanding heart as well as a listening ear);
4. Do not solicit or contribute funds or in-kind donations **for** individual disaster survivors;
5. Do not accept cash contributions **from** persons being assisted; anyone wishing to contribute should be encouraged to do so by check, payable to "Church of the Brethren Emergency Disaster Fund";
6. Are committed to assist the disaster-affected person within the limits of their training and abilities;
7. Respect belongings of the disaster-affected persons, and be especially careful to salvage irreplaceable personal items such as family pictures, legal documents, wedding albums, etc.;
8. Do not accept damaged items from the disaster survivor nor attempt to salvage items from the disaster area for their personal use;
9. Do not engage in religious exploitation of the disaster survivor. However, sharing of one's faith when asked, "Why are you here?" is appropriate. Disaster work should be seen as putting one's faith into action and a form of sharing the "Good News";
10. Respect personal information obtained from any disaster survivor, and do not share financial or personal matters by naming specific persons; sharing experiences in a general way, to illustrate work done and persons served, is acceptable;
11. Are sensitive to persons' wishes when taking pictures of individuals or damaged/destroyed property. Permission should be obtained for taking pictures of individuals. If possible, permission from property owners should be obtained for taking pictures of damaged property;
12. Help to keep the volunteer housing facility clean, and tools and tool trailer in order, and may need to assist in meal preparation, dishwashing, and general cleanup.

I have read and agree to abide by the above guidelines to the best of my ability.

(Signature)