

**St. Joseph Habitat for Humanity  
Release and Waiver of Liability**

**PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!  
THIS IS A LEGAL DOCUMENT THAT AFFECTS YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS!**

This Release and Waiver of Liability (the "Release") is executed by the "Volunteer", in favor of **St. Joseph Habitat for Humanity**, Habitat for Humanity International, Inc., and any other Habitat for Humanity affiliated organization, and their respective directors, officers, trustees, employees, volunteers and agents (collectively, "Habitat").

I, the Volunteer, desire to work as a volunteer for Habitat and engage in the activities related to being a volunteer ("Activities"). I understand that my Activities may include but are not limited to the following: working in Habitat for Humanity offices or Habitat for Humanity ReStore operations; traveling to and from work sites; consuming food available or provided; living in housing provided for volunteers; constructing and rehabilitating residential buildings; and other construction-related activities.

I, the Volunteer, hereby freely, voluntarily and without duress execute this Release under the following terms:

**Release and Waiver.** I, the Volunteer, do hereby release and forever discharge and hold harmless Habitat and their successors and assigns from any and all liability, claims and demands which I or my heirs, assigns, next of kin or legal representatives may have or which may hereinafter accrue with respect to any bodily injury, personal injury, illness, death or property damage which arise or may hereafter arise from or is in any way related to my Activities with Habitat, whether caused wholly or in part by the simple negligence, fault or other misconduct, other than intentional or grossly negligent conduct, of Habitat or of other volunteers.

I understand and acknowledge that by this Release I knowingly assume the risk of injury, harm and loss associated with the Activities. I also understand that Habitat does not assume any responsibility for or obligation to provide financial assistance or other assistance, including but not limited to medical, health or disability insurance in the event of injury, illness, death or property damage.

***It is the policy of Habitat for Humanity that children under the age of 16 are not allowed on Habitat for Humanity worksites while construction is in progress. It is further the policy of Habitat for Humanity that, while minors between the ages of 16 and 18 may be allowed to participate in construction work, using power tools, excavation, demolition, working on rooftops and similar activities are not permitted for anyone under the age of 18.***

**Medical Treatment.** I, the Volunteer, do hereby release and forever discharge Habitat from any claim or action whatsoever which arises or may hereafter arise on account of any first aid, treatment or service rendered in connection with my Activities with Habitat.

**Assumption of the Risk.** I, the Volunteer, understand that my Activities may include work that may be hazardous to me, including, but not limited to, the following: construction; loading and unloading; travel to and from the work sites; and exposure to lead, asbestos, and mold, which may cause or worsen certain illnesses, especially if I do not wear protective equipment, am exposed for extended periods of time, or have a pre-existing immune system deficiency.

I hereby expressly and specifically assume the risk of injury or harm in the Activities and release Habitat from all liability for any loss, cost, expense, injury, illness, death or property damage resulting directly or indirectly from the Activities.

**Insurance.** I, the Volunteer, understand that, except as otherwise agreed to by Habitat in writing, Habitat is under no obligation to provide, carry or maintain health, medical, travel, disability or other insurance coverage for any Volunteer. Each Volunteer is expected and encouraged to obtain his or her own health, medical, travel, disability or other insurance coverage.



**Photographic Release.** I, the Volunteer, do hereby grant and convey unto Habitat, all right, title and interest in any and all photographic images and video or audio recordings made by Habitat during my Activities with Habitat, including, but not limited to, the right to use such photographs or recordings for any purpose and to any royalties, proceeds or other benefits derived from them.

**Other.** I, the Volunteer, expressly agree that this Release is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the state where the Activities take place. I further agree that in the event any clause or provision of this Release shall be held to be invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity of such clause or provision shall not otherwise affect the remaining clauses or provisions of this Release, which shall continue to be enforceable. Further, a waiver of a right under this Release does not prevent the exercise of any other right.

To express my understanding of and agreement with this Release, I sign here.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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**PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION - Thank You**

Executed on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_,

**Volunteer:** Name (please print): First: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle: \_\_\_\_\_ Last: \_\_\_\_\_

Group Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zipcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

**In case of emergency contact:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (C) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (W) \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about us: \_\_\_\_\_ Friend  
\_\_\_\_\_ Work  
\_\_\_\_\_ Media  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteering:

ReStore \_\_\_\_\_

Construction \_\_\_\_\_

