



COVID-19 Considerations: All staff and volunteers will strictly adhere to COVID-19 federal and local guidelines to ensure their safety and the safety of homeowners and residents. Non-local volunteers not returning to their own residence after serving for the day must provide proof of a negative

COVID-19 test (administered by a provider) 72 hours (about 3 days) prior to arrival. Please do not use an over-the-counter test. This must be presented to staff upon check-in at the site and will be required regardless of vaccination status.

We recommend that volunteers from high-risk population groups not volunteer (i.e., those over the age of 65 and those with medical issues that make them more susceptible to COVID-19 per CDC guidelines).

Location: Towns in Ocean/Monmouth or Atlantic County

Project Description: Volunteers will assist homeowners in Jesus' Name with the specific project approved for your family. Families in our area are approved weekly and our volunteers will be partnered with a project suited for their team's ability level. Projects can include new roofs, kitchen cabinets, bathroom restoration, interior trim, doors, flooring, insulation, painting etc. are all possible projects that may be offered to a team.

Keep in mind that JSU does all work in the name of Jesus. There is never a charge for a project to the homeowner. Each family is fully vetted and is financially qualified. The materials used are all new, "in stock" basic grade materials. We believe in honoring Jesus and will never use old or damaged product. We will however also never use special orders or what others may consider luxury materials like Stainless Steel appliances, Granite countertops, or special-order cabinets, doors, or other bath and kitchen fixtures. Our repair and restoration work when complete honors God in every way.

Background Information: When Jersey Shore United restored homes back starting in 2012 because of the destruction from hurricane Sandy we met homeowners that were sincerely in need of help but did not qualify for disaster relief. A swarm of deadly nighttime tornadoes tore through six states from Friday evening into Saturday morning. This unusually violent, late fall outbreak is believed to be the deadliest U.S. tornado event ever recorded for December.

Length of Stay: Minimum stay of four days for overnight volunteers.

There will be opportunities for overnight and day volunteers.

Maximum Team Size: Both teams and individuals are welcome. The maximum team size is 15 people.

Minimum Age: Volunteers must be at least 14 years of age or older. Youth, ages 14-15, must be accompanied by their parent/legal guardian and youth, ages 16-17, must be accompanied by an adult chaperone unless the team is registered as a youth group. Youth groups may serve with Jersey Shore United and are required to complete a Youth Leader Covenant. Please read more information about our Youth Policy in the FAQ section.

For any team serving with our "Operation Hope Chest" program the minimum age for a volunteer is 8 years of age and must be accompanied by their parent/legal guardian.

Local / Day Volunteers: If you are local to the area, we welcome you to serve for the day. Please contact our volunteer cabin at 732-977-0117 at least 48 hours (about 2 days) in advance to be scheduled to serve. Please arrive at our volunteer cabin located at The Church of Grace and Peace, 1563 Old Freehold Road, Toms River NJ 08755 at 7:30 a.m. for orientation. Volunteers will work Monday - Saturday, please bring a bagged lunch, water, and hand sanitizer. If you have questions about serving as a day volunteer, please contact the volunteer cabin.

Day volunteers are welcome to serve any day, Monday through Saturday, without being scheduled for a specific date (half-days are sometimes available). Due to the nature of disaster relief and community construction projects, our schedule must remain fluid. We recommend that you contact the site 48 hours (about 2 days) in advance, prior to serving.

Additional Information: Meals and sleeping quarters are provided for overnight volunteers. Volunteers need to bring bed linens for a twin-size bed/sleeping bag, pillow, towels, and personal hygiene items. Tools will be provided, and volunteers are welcome to bring their own tool belts and small hand tools. Volunteers should dress in long pants and bring work gloves, safety glasses, and sturdy boots or rubber boots.