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Students from Chicago spend summer break volunteering to help Habitat for Humanity of Springfield, MO build homes for low income families in Zone 1

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – 20+ students from the Old St. Patrick’s church Foundations Youth Ministry youth group in Chicago, IL will spend a week volunteering with Habitat for Humanity of Springfield, MO (HFHS) to build and repair homes for low income families in Springfield’s Zone 1. The students will work with HFHS staff to hang siding on two current home builds from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Thursday, July 20 and Friday, July 21 at 2213 W. Page Street, Springfield, MO 65802 and 2419 N. Pickwick Ave, Springfield, MO 65803.

“It’s incredible when groups travel from out of state to support Habitat for Humanity” said Larry Peterson, executive director of HFHS. “These students bring a renewed energy and passion to our team. It’s amazing what can be accomplished when a group of dedicated volunteers lend a hand.”

At its core, HFHS is a volunteer organization. Community members who are able to donate their time, skills, and expertise join the Habitat for Humanity mission to find an end to poverty housing. Whether a volunteer is helping in the ReStore, building or repairing a home, or serving on the board of directors or a committee, we are all working to accomplish the same mission by providing a hand-up, not a hand-out to those in need.

Individual and group volunteers with skill levels ranging from novice to expert are encouraged to register. Volunteers must be 14 years old and willing to work 3-hour minimum shifts Monday – Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. For more information about volunteer opportunities, please contact the Volunteer Coordinator at 417-829-4001 or info@habitatspringfieldmo.org.

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About Habitat for Humanity of Springfield, Missouri

Habitat for Humanity of Springfield, Missouri (HFHS) believes every person in the Springfield and surrounding area deserves a decent place to live. As an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International, HFHS impacts more than 130 households a year. Since 1988, HFHS has either built or renovated more than 490 homes, providing shelter for more than 998 men, women and children from Greene, Christian, and Webster Counties by helping people gain strength, stability and independence through housing, including home construction, rehabilitation and repairs and by increasing access to improved shelter through products and programs. HFHS is a United Way of the Ozarks partner agency. Learn more, including official word marks and images, at habitatspringfieldmo.org/newsroom or at [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [YouTube](#).

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