

Habitat Newark Team Will Work in Iowa Floods Area

This May, volunteers from Habitat Newark are traveling to help victims of the 2008 Iowa floods by building affordable housing. A full complement of volunteers are now signed up, so we cannot accept any more volunteers at this time.

In June and early July of 2008, northeastern Iowa was hit by devastating flooding of the rivers feeding into the Mississippi. These floods are often referred to as Iowa's Katrina. Thousands of homes and businesses were lost. Many Iowans were left without homes and out of work. The national media did not give these floods the same type of coverage they gave Katrina because the population base is smaller, video images less graphic, and no lives were lost-- but the damage was as significant to the local region as Katrina was to the Gulf Coast.

This is a great chance to spend the week building a home for some of the victims.

Trip details;

Depart Newark Liberty Airport on Monday, May 3rd, 2010

Return on Sunday, May 9th, 2010

Fly to Chicago and then drive to the Cedar Rapids area and stay in a nearby hotel.

Airfare will be \$230 per person.

Hotel room (Two volunteers in a room with two beds) including breakfast will be \$215 per person.

Each volunteer's share of rental cars will be about \$85.

The maximum number of people who can make this trip is 20, and it is first come first served.

If you would like to be placed on the waiting list, please contact:

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