

# BACKYARD MISSION TRIP – TEAM INFORMATION FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS—

## **SATURDAY SCHEDULE:**

7:30 am Gathering for breakfast, blessings and send-off at the Ole Mill Stream Centre,

1017 E Sandusky St.

8:00 am LEAVE FOR WORK SITES Let the projects begin!

LUNCH Please pack and bring your own lunch/water, feel free to eat at your project site

4:15 pm Begin site clean-up 4:45 pm End of a Great Day!!!

Dinner & fellowship on your own, be sure to use your Buy one Get one Pizza Coupons distributed during the kick-off event. Reflect and celebrate with your team the meaning of the day and serving others right in our own backyard. Invite your homeowner too! (This can be done at a later date.)

Please go into BMT Database and indicate if your project is completed.

Yard Signs can be returned to Habitat for Humanity 1200 Commerce Parkway.

#### WHAT TO DO IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY? CALL 911!

In case of an emergency, it is essential to remain calm and to protect yourself. Before you enter a scene ensure it is safe from risk of fire, electricity, traffic, smoke, water, poisonous gases, etc. **Your personal safety takes precedence!** Be sure to call 911. When calling 911 or the emergency number be sure to notify the dispatchers about:

- Which Emergency service you require (i.e., Police, EMS, or Fire)
- The nature of the emergency
- The address or location and main intersection
- The telephone number you are calling from
- Your name
- Please notify Backyard Mission Trip

If you are with the victim during the emergency, try to remain with the patient, Emergency Responders will need to obtain as much information as possible. Do not move the victim unless necessary to save his or her life or to prevent further injury.

- 1) Call 911
- 2) Bringing a first aid kit is suggested
- 3) Blanchard Valley Hospital is located at 1900 S. Main Street, 419-423-4500



#### WHAT IF MY VOLUNTEER TEAM MEMBERS HAVEN'T FILLED OUT A VOLUNTEER WAIVER?

Please have the volunteer visit findlaybmt.com and complete on their phone before working. MINORS: Only adults 18 years or older can sign the waiver representing themselves. Any volunteer under the age of 18 must be listed on their parent/guardian's waiver

#### **ARE YOU INSURED? WHAT ABOUT MEDICAL INSURANCE?**

The Backyard Mission Trip Project (College First Church) maintains a general liability policy that will cover you, your team members, and minors in case of lawsuits against The Project for damage done by Project participants. However, The Project maintains no medical coverage for Project participants. Thus, you and your children/students should be covered by their own or their parents' medical policies.

#### WHAT ABOUT WASTE/TRASH DISPOSAL?

A dumpster will be placed in the front-lot of the Hancock Co. Fairgrounds for volunteers of the Backyard Mission Trip Project to use. This is for waste collected during your project, no hazardous items should be collected in this dumpster. Please try to transport all waste using vehicles from your own team. However, if you need "trucking" assistance – there is limited pickup truck availability. If you need trash transport help – call BMT Committee 419.889.4347. We will do our best to accommodate your request. If you leave trash at your worksite, please notify the BMT committee at 419.889.4347.

#### Green Waste Site 330 N. Cory St., Findlay

- FREE. Open Until 8 am − 4 pm on Saturday
- For disposal of vegetation, grass, brush, trees, and limbs. No plastic bags, debris must be emptied from Plastic bags for natural decomposition
- <u>Hazardous Material:</u> Let BMT Committee know of anything deemed to be too dangerous or toxic for your team to move. City personnel will handle those matters.
- TIRES: 330 N. Cory Street

Hancock Co. Sanitary Landfill: 3763 Co Rd 140

MUST HAVE BMT PLACARD TO GET FREE LOAD FREE.

Landfill is open until 11:30 am on Saturday - Only FREE on Saturday of the event with BMT Placard.



Loads need to be covered with some sort of tarp to prevent "blowing" of debris.

<u>Recycling:</u> Common Household Recyclables may be placed in various containers located throughout the community provided by the Solid Waste Management District.

- > University of Findlay 4 units Swing St. (behind 1310 N. Main St., Findlay)
- > Legacy Farmers Co-Op 8 units 6656 TR 236, Findlay
- > Ag Service Center 12 units 7814 CR 140, Findlay
- > Recycling Hub 40 units 1720 E. Sandusky St., Findlay

Recyclables accepted include: Cardboard, Plastic, Steel, Glass (no windows) & Aluminum Cans

\*For a full list of recycling locations throughout Hancock County, visit 'Community Recycling' by scanning the QR code provided or visiting www.HancockEnviornment.com



#### WHAT IF WE FINISH OUR PROJECT EARLY?

If you finish your assigned project before 2 pm, please call Gary – 419-889-4347. We will do our best to assign you an additional project or re-assign you to a project that is behind. It will be too challenging to assign you to another project after 2 pm. Please be sure you clean up your site thoroughly.

#### HOW DO WE DOCUMENT WHETHER OUR PROJECT IS COMPLETED OR NOT?

Please complete project status in the database by clicking

HERE: <a href="http://findaybmt-test.com/Admin/Login.aspx">http://findaybmt-test.com/Admin/Login.aspx</a> This allows us to track projects that need attention after the scheduled workday. Be sure to indicate if you feel your team can return to the Project Site within a couple of weeks to complete the project. If you are unable to provide the completion information in the database, a completion form is available on the BMT website and can be completed, scanned, and emailed to Gary Steed at G.D.STEED@GMAIL.COM

#### **DO WE NEED ANY SPENDING MONEY?**

You may want to bring spending money in case you run short of materials or tools at your site. If your project's success is contingent on something needed, please contact Wendy at 419-722-9333 to get help getting the resources you may need from the Backyard Mission Trip Petty Cash. There is no account at Lowe's. Please receive pre-authorization to purchase items you will need reimbursement for.

<u>WHAT VEHICLES SHALL WE BRING?</u> Please bring vehicles that your team can utilize to haul trash and debris to the appropriate location. You may wish to refrain from bringing Grandpa's BMW, since people get dirty, and so do vehicles. Also, experience has proven that if you are planning on hauling material, you may wish to get additional insurance so that you are covered. That way, if someone forgets to tightly close that brown can of paint, you won't have to pay to replace the carpet.

If you need trash transport help – call BMT Committee 419.889.4347. We will do our best to accommodate your request. You may want to carpool if parking is tight at the residence.

#### **HOW MANY WILL BE PARTICIPATING?**

The Backyard Mission Trip will likely be blessed to have over 100 projects and hundreds of volunteers.

#### WHAT SHOULD I BRING?

Each team leader can bring a Bible, pen, and or notebook to begin the morning with devotion & prayer.

**Mask** – COVID protocols are in place for your safety, volunteer safety, and safety of the homeowner **Hat** - A wide-brimmed straw hat or cap will help protect your face and neck from the sun.

**Bandana** - Use it to wipe sweat from your face or soak it in ice water to help you stay cool.

**Water bottle** - A personal water bottle will allow you to carry your drink with you. This is especially helpful on the roof and scaffolding.

#### Tool belt or nail apron

**Gloves** - These help protect your hands when doing framing or general site cleanup.

**Personal tools** - Consider bringing your own hammer, tape measure, speed square, carpenter's pencil, if you have them. Painters may choose to bring their favorite paint brush.

A positive, Christian attitude - A smile and cheerful attitude will go a long way when we're hot and tired and the tasks confusing.

#### WHAT SHOULD I WEAR? YOUR YELLOW BMT SHIRT FOR SAFETY and SECURITY!

# <u>Please wear you BMT YELLOW T-Shirt, they are available for free (donations appreciated) at Habitat or during the morning kick off breakfast.</u>

Wear appropriate clothing for the weather and the task. You will get hot, sweaty, and dirty, and your clothes may get torn or stained. Please plan on wearing clothes that honor your elderly homeowner, others, and yourself. Please wear the BMT fluorescent yellow T-shirt. This identifies legitimate volunteers to the homeowners. Please be prepared to do a variety of work in a variety of settings. Closed-toe shoes are required, Old athletic shoes are good for working on the roof. Long pants are suggested for roofing work. Long sleeves can help protect you from the sun. Wear heavy duty sunscreen when working outdoors, even when it's cloudy. Safety glasses or your own personal eyewear is strongly suggested for eye protection at all times

#### **WHAT IF IT RAINS?**

The Backyard Mission Trip will take place rain or shine. In the case of lightning, please seek shelter and put all tools down. Please use your best judgment to seek shelter for you and your team. You are welcome to wait out a storm at Millstream Fairgrounds, then return to your project when the danger passes. Avoid standing near trees and work on trees in high winds. We understand you will not be able to complete all projects such as exterior painting, use of electrical equipment, and tree trimming, during inclement weather. Please use common sense, if it doesn't feel safe don't do it.

#### WHAT IF WE'RE DIGGING?

We will be digging; do we need to call 811? Yes, unless your digging will be less than normal gardening depth. Digging into a utility line can be very dangerous. Call 811 - 2 business days before the work will start to request utilities locate their lines so you can avoid them when digging. You will need to provide the street address, a cross street and other details of your intended work. The utilities will then respond to mark the ground where their facilities are located.

### **JOBSITE COURTESY**

Our priority is safety—if we get the project done, that's okay, too. We are not in a hurry. We'll take the time we need to work as carefully as if it were our own home, with the best craftsmanship possible. Drink plenty of water during the day.

**Pay attention.** The best way to ensure your safety and the safety of others is to be aware of what's going on around you. Watch where you step. Be careful where you lay things down. Look out for others and speak up if something is not safe. Remove all nails from a board before you discard it. Keep electrical cords out of the way. If you see a potentially dangerous situation, fix it, or bring it to the attention of the Team Leader.

**Follow the leader.** On the job site, follow your team leader's direction. There may be other ways to perform a specific task, and you're welcome to suggest one, but once the leader makes a decision, follow their direction.

**Respect property.** Take care of tools as if they were your own and return them to their proper place when finished. Conserve building materials. Pick up your own nails, scraps, drink cans, and other trash.

**Be a student and a teacher.** Most of the volunteers are learning on the job. Pay attention to those whose skills are greater than yours and learn as much as you can from them. Then help those who are less skilled to learn what you know.

We hope you have an enjoyable and blessed experience. THANK YOU!