



Habitat Build Day

Building Homes. Building Hope. Building Community.

Thank you very much for your interest in Habitat for Humanity Greater Vancouver's Habitat Build Days at our **Ash Street site in Richmond**, BC. In taking this step, your company recognizes the importance of supporting employee volunteerism while helping to provide a long-term solution to the affordable housing crisis in Greater Vancouver. When you build with Habitat, you are making a tangible contribution to the lives of all the families that will eventually move into their Habitat home. We thank you and your organization for your support. Together, we are building a community by helping hard working families realize their dream of home ownership.

What You Need to Know to Have a Great Build Day

Arrival / Departure: The build days are Tuesday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. We ask that all volunteers arrive promptly by 8:30 a.m. for registration and safety training. If you need to leave early, you must notify your Crew Leader and at least one staff person so that we can account for everyone scheduled at the site that day. To cancel your shift: please let your Corporate Team Leader know well in advance of your build day.

Location: 8180 Ash Street, Richmond. See page 2 for a map, parking and transit information.

Safety: Your safety comes first. The build day will begin with a safety orientation at the site which is mandatory for anyone who wants to volunteer on the site. Please note that anyone not present for the orientation will be unable to work onsite that day. During the day, if at any time you do not feel comfortable with a particular assignment, speak to the Site Supervisor or your Crew Leader.

Onsite Organization: Volunteers will be divided into small groups (i.e. crews), led by Crew Leaders who are volunteers with construction experience.

What to Bring:

Waiver: All volunteers must complete and sign a waiver in full. Corporate team leaders should collect these and email them to Habitat GV in advance. The minimum age to volunteer on the build site is 16 years old and anyone under 18 years old must have their waiver signed by a parent or guardian.

Clothing: Habitat for Humanity Greater Vancouver builds in any weather conditions, so we advise that you wear layers that you can add/remove. Consider wearing loose, comfortable clothing that you don't mind getting dirty. Long pants are mandatory to minimize splinters and scrapes. It's also a good idea to bring extra socks to ensure your boots fit well and that your feet stay dry and warm. We also recommend wearing sunscreen and bringing your own water bottle.

Valuables: There are day lockers and a dedicated first aid room on the construction site; please bring your own lock if you wish to use a locker.

What you Get:

Meals: Habitat for Humanity GV will provide **lunch**. Water, coffee and light snacks will also be available



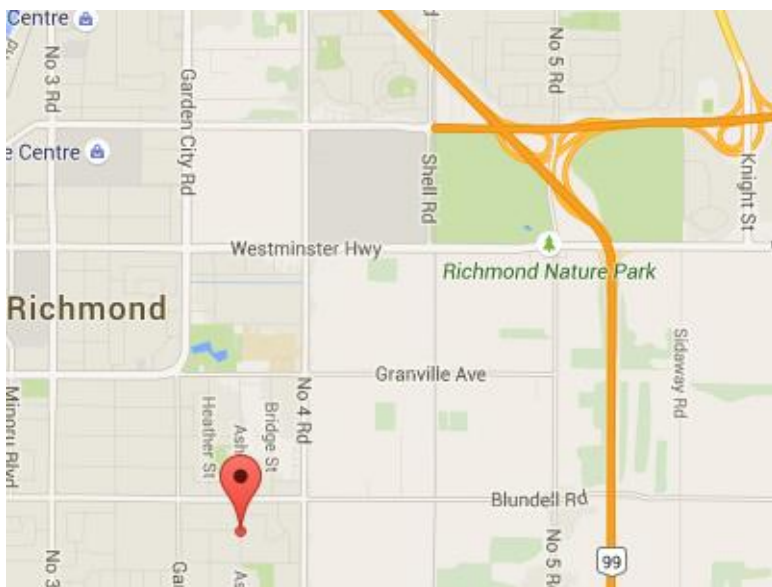
throughout the day. However, we encourage you to bring your own food if you require a special diet or have allergies.

T-Shirt: A souvenir of your hard work and a way to share your support of Habitat Greater Vancouver in the community!

Photos: We will take photos throughout the day that will be shared on our social media outlets and website and provided to you post event for your use.

Safety Gear:

1. **Footwear:** Certified CSA Level 1 safety shoes/boots are mandatory (they must have a green patch that indicates a steel toe and puncture-proof sole). While Habitat for Humanity Greater Vancouver has a good selection of boots for volunteers to borrow from women's size 5 to men's size 14, we cannot guarantee sizes.



2. **Hard Hats and Work Gloves:** These are provided but feel free to bring your own if you wish.

3. **Safety Glasses, Masks, and Earplugs:** These are provided if required for the tasks, but again, feel free to bring your own if you prefer.

Tools: All power tools are provided, however, you are welcome to bring a tool belt with a hammer or other hand tools. Please label your tools so they aren't returned to the Habitat tool crib.

Map, Parking and Transit:

Address: The build site is located at 8180 Ash Street in Richmond.

Directions: The build site is less than 6km South Westminister Hwy and west of Hwy 99.

Parking: Volunteers are not permitted to park in the Habitat complex. Please park on Ash Street

Transit: By transit, the site is a 7 minute bus ride from the Richmond-Brighthouse Station (401 from Bay 4A), which stops South Bound Garden City Rd, Far Side Blundell Rd, walk the 600m (7mins) to the site.



We appreciate your desire and commitment to volunteer with Habitat for Humanity. Volunteers are the reason we are successful. We look forward to seeing you on the build site. From our partner families and the Habitat for Humanity Greater Vancouver staff, thank you so much!

Following your onsite orientation, you will be a registered volunteer with Habitat for Humanity Greater Vancouver. If you are interested in volunteering after your Habitat Build Day, please register via our website directly at www.habitatgv.ca and locate the Volunteer Tab. You will be able to choose your location and be contacted with upcoming opportunities.

For further information about Habitat Build Days, please call Lyn Duke at 604.681.5618 or email to: community@habitatgv.ca