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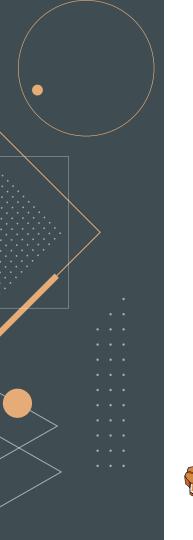
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#### What is Habitat for Humanity?



- Habitat for Humanity is a global non-profit housing organization
- Their mission is to build homes for low & moderate income families with the help of volunteers like us!
- Stevens' HFH works with local organizations in local neighborhoods to help rebuild communities.





- Builds are generally located in Passaic, Essex, & Monmouth County
- Typically 8-10 students
- About an 8 hour day
- Exposure to different tools, learn new skills, & teamwork!

#### **Weekend Builds**



- Our Secretary, Karen, sends out a Sign-Up sheet the Monday before a Saturday build
  - o First come, first serve!

## What jobs do you work on?

- Every build is different.
- Professional HFH volunteers help instruct us on how we can help around the build site!
  - They even remember people who frequently attend builds:)
- They will teach you how to do everything from operating tools to digging ditches!
- "I have helped build a wheelchair ramp, installed flooring, climbed onto a roof, etc." - Brigit











# Spring Break Build

- The Collegiate Challenge
  - Annual one-week volunteer trip anywhere in the US
    - Previous years have gone to Tennessee & Florida!
  - Costs around \$300-\$400
  - We'd typically host fundraisers to help lower the cost
- Anything from framing a house, building decks, installing soffit, cutting subfloor, hanging doors, etc!
- In their free time, groups have hiked trails, travelled to dams, visited museums, & took a trip to Disney World!

# Impact of COVID-19

- Each local Habitat for Humanity organization has its own rules.
  - Newark has shortened build days (9:30am-1pm) and requires masks.
- Habitat for Humanity International has canceled the Collegiate Challenge to the end of 2021. Believe it will begin again in 2022, but waiting to hear more.
- Habitat for Humanity of Greater Newark opened up a food pantry, located on 298 South Orange Avenue, to provide food assistance to residents who are reeling from sudden loss of wages caused by COVID-19.
  - As of June 2021, the pantry has served 55,511 meals and helped over 4,780 families!

# This Semester

- First Build: October 2nd
  - Email to sign up: 09/20
- Second and Third Builds: TBD
- Fundraiser of some sort
  - If you have any ideas let me know!
- Prepare for Collegiate Challenge in March 2022
  - Info session in Novembers
- Volunteer at ReStore

### **Stay Connected!**

- Any Questions?
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