

Typical Construction Day

- Sign In** starts at **7:45 AM**. Volunteers must sign-in each day they volunteer, and complete a waiver of liability each year (**volunteers under age 18 need a guardian's signature and must be accompanied by an adult the entire day**). Volunteers will be introduced to their house leader, who will provide direction for the day.
- Safety Briefing** begins at **8:00 AM**. Safety is more important than the speed of production, and construction work can be hazardous! Since HFHSA crews normally have a high percentage of inexperienced workers, safety is of particular concern. Your house leader will brief you on safety issues that might arise. No one under the age of 14 is allowed on site.
- Lunch** will be provided for all volunteers on Fridays and Saturdays. Lunches are donated -- individuals with special dietary needs should bring their own lunches.
- Clean up** is at **3:30 PM** (sometimes earlier). Please plan to stay the whole day. The workday will end after the site is clean and tools have been put away.
- Please wear** comfortable clothes appropriate for the work and weather. Wear items that can get stained, ripped, muddy, paint-spackled, etc. **You must wear closed-toed shoes - do not wear flip flops, backless shoes or Crocs.** For safety, do not wear loose, oversized clothing or dangling jewelry. Summer months can be extremely hot and it can get very cold on site in the winter. Dress appropriately.
- Please bring** a water bottle (iced water provided on site), hat and sunscreen.
- Media** in San Antonio are always welcome to cover HFHSA events. If you see media on the site by themselves – instantly alert a Habitat staff member.
- Personal Valuables** will not be safe on the work site. We accept no responsibility for lost or stolen items. We highly recommend that you do not bring items that you consider valuable to our work sites. We will provide all the tools and materials you will need to participate.
- Security** must be maintained on the work site. Concealed weapons, drugs, or alcoholic beverages of any kind are absolutely not permitted on an HFHSA work site. Violators will be asked to leave.
- Animals/Pets** are not allowed on the work site. HFHSA discourages volunteers from feeding stray animals or pets.