

# **Project Homecoming**

## **Summer Youth Mission**

### **2012 Summer Staff Job Description**

Project Homecoming is a rebuilding ministry that utilizes volunteer labor and experienced construction staff to rebuilds homes and communities impacted by Hurricane Katrina. Since its start in 2007, Project Homecoming has led over 10,000 volunteers in the rebuilding of 150 homes of low-income households in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Project Homecoming is hosting summer youth mission trips during June and July. Congregations from around the country will be sending youth groups to serve in mission in the New Orleans area during this time. Each mission trip is a week in length. Project Homecoming will be providing a program that includes hands-on mission experiences, speakers, worship, and recreation for about 60 youth each week.

**Project Homecoming is recruiting two summer staff persons committed to the goal of rebuilding New Orleans' distressed neighborhoods and transforming lives. Staff will live on-site at Olive Tree Volunteer village and work closely with youth volunteers at the village and at worksites throughout the community.**

**The summer staff positions begin with a weeklong orientation on June 3, 2012. The positions will end on July 29, 2012. The summer staff will work under the direction of the Volunteer Coordinator, in collaboration with the Summer Youth Mission Program Coordinator and with Project Homecoming's Olive Tree volunteer village managers and Volunteer Coordinator.**

**Applications are due by April 27. Application forms are available at [www.projecthomecoming.net](http://www.projecthomecoming.net)**

#### **Expectations:**

- Have your own car and auto insurance for the duration of the job
- Implement the Summer Youth Mission Trips and work well as a team
- Value social justice concerns and put your faith into positive community action
- Feel comfortable discussing faith concepts, and leading worship and music
- Feel comfortable working with people from diverse backgrounds
- Have some experience working with youth in a church setting
- Be comfortable with long days and community living
- Be at least 18 years old and a high school graduate

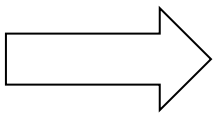
- Have CPR and First Aid certification (or be willing to get it once hired)
- Clear a background check
- Be flexible, faithful, energetic, patient, and have a love of young people

**Responsibilities:**

- Assist Volunteer Coordinator, Summer Youth Mission Program Coordinator, and Village Managers in the day to day operations of Olive Tree Village
- Greet youth upon arrival and show them to their assigned rooms
- Present Youth Mission Program Orientation
- Supervise meal preparation and other chores assigned to youth at Olive Tree Village
- Lead morning prayers
- Supervise youth at worksites as needed
- Organize and lead youth recreational activities
- Lead evening programming, including worship, music, and fieldtrips
- Deep clean Olive Tree facilities at the end of each Youth Mission team's visit
- Meet with Summer Youth Mission Program Coordinator for weekly wrap-up sessions

**Project Homecoming will provide:**

- Free room and board at Olive Tree Volunteer Village
- Training and supervision by Project Homecoming staff
- An opportunity to gain valuable work experience
- A chance to immerse yourself in New Orleans' vibrant culture
- Daily opportunities for individual reflection, group worship, and community revitalization
- A stipend of \$2000 for the 8 week period



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<http://www.facebook.com/ProjHomecoming>

For more information about this staff position, email Project Homecoming's Volunteer Coordinator, Kathleen Patton, at [Kathleen@projecthomecoming.net](mailto:Kathleen@projecthomecoming.net) or phone (504)942-0444

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