Home building and rehabilitation projects to assist with Hurricane Katrina and Rita relief

Overview: Lower Nine works with residents of the Lower Ninth Ward of New Orleans to help rebuild the area after it was devastated by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Because the Lower Ninth Ward was an area hit hardest by the hurricanes, Lower Nine takes a holistic approach to healing the community. Lower Nine is committed to sustainable economic solutions.

Day-to-day: Service will take place daily from 8:15-4:30 with an hour lunch break. Service will consist of basic homebuilding and rehabilitating projects such as re-shingling a roof, laying sheet rock, or insulating walls. Even if you have never swung a hammer, Lower Nine will educate and prepare you for what it takes to rebuild homes in the Lower Ninth Ward.

The Nitty-Gritty Details: The retreat center has separate air-conditioned men’s and women’s bunkrooms as well as separate restrooms and showers. Food is included in the cost of the trip. Breakfast will be served Monday to Friday from 6:30 – 7:30am, lunches will be packed during this time as well, and dinner will be served from 6:00 – 7:00pm. Group members should plan some additional funds to purchase food during weekend travel days to and from New Orleans.

SPECIFICATIONS

Location: New Orleans, LA
Price: $400

Trip Price includes:
- Transportation
- Housing
- Program Fees
- Tools/supplies needed for service

Transportation: Participants will travel by a charter bus to the destination. A rental vehicle will be used throughout the week.

Housing: Retreat Center

Meals: Meals provided

Social Justice Issue:

Physicality Level: Medium/High

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