

## **COVID-19 DISASTER DEPLOYMENT & REBUILD GUIDELINES**

### **GENERAL GUIDELINES**

- **All volunteers staying overnight must provide one of the following upon check-in at the site:**
  - **Negative COVID test (administered by a provider) in the past 72 hours– both for those who have and have not been fully vaccinated**
  - **Positive test result (less than 90 days and more than 10 days old) with a doctor's note for medical clearance (dated at least 10 days past + test result)**
- **All volunteers are advised to conduct a “self-check-up”; if they have had any COVID-19 symptoms or have generally felt unwell within the last 2 weeks, we ask that they do not volunteer.**
- **We recommend that volunteers from high-risk population groups not volunteer ( i.e. those over the age of 65 and those with medical issues that make them more susceptible to COVID-19 per CDC guidelines).**
- **Our desire is to keep staff, volunteers, and homeowners as safe as possible when we deploy to a community. While we take many precautions to mitigate the risk of COVID-19 transmission, we recognize that those at our base camp and in the surrounding community may still be exposed to, or contract, the virus. If a staff member or volunteer tests positive for the virus, we have an Incident Management Team Call Center (IMTCC) that will work with the COVID-19 positive person to identify any close contacts in relation to the work at a Samaritan's Purse North American Ministry worksite. Please note, this is not intended to replace contact tracing, which is conducted by the local health department, but to help ensure timely action to further reduce COVID-19 transmission amongst staff and volunteers. If you are identified as a close contact you will be contacted by the IMTCC and asked to self-isolate as per CDC protocol. If this happens, you may be contacted while at the disaster or rebuild site and asked to return home to self-isolate or contacted once you have returned home. We appreciate your cooperation with this team as our aim is to reduce the spread of COVID-19.**
- **Volunteers and staff must wear a mask when interacting with homeowners. At all other times masks are not required.**

## **WORK-SITE GUIDELINES**

- We will discourage volunteers from carpooling from the basecamp to the jobsite if they did not arrive in the same vehicle.
- All tools and reusable safety gear must be disinfected, cleaned and made ready before leaving the jobsite.

## **CAMP GUIDELINES**

- Social distancing will be encouraged at all times during the deployment. Hand sanitizer will be provided and hand washing will be advised.
- Living Areas and dining areas on-site will need to be cleaned & disinfected regularly, paying special attention to doorknobs, switches, handles, computers, tables, sinks, showers, toilets, and other commonly touched areas.
- Orientation should be done in such a way that the 6 feet rule of separation can be maintained.
- An area to meet with homeowners should be setup in such a way to uphold social distancing guidelines, while meeting the needs of the homeowner. Masks should always be worn when interacting with homeowners.
- Contact will be maintained with our SP COVID-19 Incident Management Team Call Center (IMTCC) to address any issues that come up with volunteers who become symptomatic. They will also give guidance to SP staff.
- When our leadership team, including staff and volunteers, depart from the site, they will be contacted by our Samaritan's Purse IMT Call Center to discuss proper precautions upon returning home.

## **KITCHEN GUIDELINES**

- We will limit those attending meals to our leadership staff and overnight volunteers.
- Meals and drinks should be served by the cook team who are practicing ServSafe techniques.
- Volunteers should maintain appropriate social distancing during meals and should sit with the same individuals for the entirety of their stay on site.
- Silverware should be in individual packets that have salt and pepper included.
- Sandwiches should be made by the cook team the night before and placed in sealed sandwich bags with the volunteers name on them.