



## **Lunch Ministry**

*“SERVING those who SERVE”*

Thank you for serving as a Habitat Greensboro Lunch Ministry Leader! Lunchtime on the work site provides fellowship, rest, and the opportunity to share a meal together. Habitat Greensboro’s Lunch Ministry serves volunteers, future homeowners, and construction staff on the work site. Below are general guidelines for groups or individuals preparing lunch for the volunteers.

### **LOGISTICS**

1. **Please arrive at the Construction site on your designated day by 11:00 a.m. to set up.** Two 6-foot tables will be provided for the group to use. Habitat Greensboro Staff will contact the Lunch Ministry Leader a week prior to your scheduled day with the number of people to prepare for that day. Approximately 2-3 days prior to your scheduled day, you will be contacted with the location where you will bring lunch for the volunteers who are working.
2. The average number of lunches needed ranges from 25 to 40. Please allow for 3-4 extra meals just in case a group has more volunteers than expected.

### **FOOD**

1. Options for meals to be served include ready-made sandwiches that are easy to eat on the site, sandwich trays with sides, box lunches from a restaurant or other service. When preparing, please include a variety of breads/rolls and fillings such as meats, cheeses, egg/tuna salad, etc. It’s always appreciated if lettuce, tomato, and condiments are available on the side.
2. During cold weather, the following items help warm up the volunteers: chili, soups, stews, spaghetti and other hot dishes.
3. Chips, pickles, carrot sticks, applesauce cups and salads (green, potato, coleslaw) always add to the meal.
4. Suggested “pick-up” desserts include cookies, cakes, brownies, fruit, etc.
5. Please include enough vegetarian meals for 3 people.

### **DRINKS**

1. Beverage options can include iced tea – sweet/unsweetened, soft drinks or water.
2. During colder weather, coffee, hot cider and/or hot chocolate may be served in addition to cold beverages.
3. Include ice based on the number of volunteers, unless the drinks will be packed on ice. More ice during the warmer months is always welcome.

## **PAPER GOODS**

1. Plates
2. Bowls, if serving soup/stew
3. Plastic cups for beverage
4. Napkins/Paper towels
5. Serving utensils (depending on the meal)
6. Eating utensils (depending on the meal)
7. Garbage bags for cleanup of trash
8. Hand sanitizer gel
9. Disposable plastic gloves for serving

## **FUNDING**

Each group determines how they will fund the Lunch Ministry as they support Habitat Greensboro. Ideas include the following:

- Include Habitat Greensboro's Lunch Ministry in your budget.
- Use funds and/or donations from small groups, club fees, etc.
- Raise funds through Annual fundraising events.
- Ask for donations from local businesses, restaurants, or sponsors.

Thank you again for your ongoing commitment and support of Habitat Greensboro and affordable housing. Working together, we are building homes, communities, and hope.

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