

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF NORTHWEST INDIANA  
6114 W. RIDGE ROAD, GARY, IN 46408  
HABITAT VOLUNTEER WAIVER**

Thank you for your interest and support. This form must be completed and returned to **Habitat for Humanity of Northwest Indiana, 6114 W. Ridge Road, Gary, IN 46408** (Fax: 219.923.7416). If you have additional questions, please call our office at (219) 923-7265.

Please read all the information carefully and answer all questions thoroughly. Waivers that do not include completed emergency contact information and a signed and witnessed release of liability (*on reverse side*) WILL NOT BE PROCESSED. **PARTICIPANTS MUST BE 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER. WAIVER ON BACK MUST BE SIGNED.**

**- PLEASE PRINT -**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Church/group/school: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, PLEASE CONTACT:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening) \_\_\_\_\_

**SKILLS ASSESSMENT:** (*Please give your best self-evaluation.*)

*Please check only one:*

- Professional – A professional or former professional builder who is able to supervise all aspects of house construction
- Skilled – An accomplished do-it-yourselfer or have extensive Habitat experience
- Unskilled – No specific skills, but willing to learn

AREA(S) OF SKILL:

**(Please check boxes below only if Professional or Skilled is marked above.)**

**Check all that apply:**

- GENERAL CONTRACTOR**    **ROOFING**    **PLUMBING**    **WOOD FRAMING**
- SIDING**    **PAINTING**    **FLOORING**    **TRIM AND FINISH**    **DRYWALL**
- ELECTRICAL**    **LANDSCAPING**

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY. THIS IS A LEGAL DOCUMENT WHICH AFFECTS YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS.

**RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY**

This Release and Waiver of Liability (the "Release") executed on \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Volunteer") in favor of Habitat for Humanity of Northwest Indiana, an Indiana non-profit corporation ("Habitat"), its directors, officers, employees, and agents.

The Volunteer desires to work as a volunteer for Habitat located in Lake County, Indiana and do the activities related to being a volunteer. The Volunteer understands that the activities may include constructing and rehabilitating residential buildings, working in the Habitat offices, and living in housing provided for volunteers in Lake County, Indiana.

The Volunteer does hereby freely, voluntarily, and without duress execute this Release under the following terms:

1. **Waiver and Release.** Volunteer does hereby release and forever discharge and hold harmless Habitat and its successors and assigns from any and all liability, claims, and demands of whatever kind or nature, either in law or in equity, which may arise from Volunteer's work at Habitat.

Volunteer understands and acknowledges that this Release discharges Habitat from any liability or claim that the Volunteer may have against Habitat with respect to any bodily injury, personal injury, illness, death, or property damage that may result from Volunteer's work at Habitat, whether caused by the negligence of Habitat or its officers, directors, employees, or agents, or otherwise. Volunteer also understands that, except as otherwise agreed to by Habitat in writing, Habitat does not assume any responsibility for or obligation to provide financial assistance or other assistance, including but not limited to medical, health, or disability insurance, in the event of injury or illness.

2. **Medical Treatment.** Except as otherwise agreed to by Habitat in writing, Volunteer does hereby release and forever discharge Habitat from any claim whatsoever which arises or may hereafter arise on account of any first aid, treatment, or service rendered in connection with the Volunteer's work at Habitat.

3. **Assumption of Risk.** The Volunteer understands that the work at Habitat headquarters may include activities that may be hazardous to the Volunteer, including, but not limited to, construction, loading and unloading, and transportation to and from the work sites. In connection thereto, Volunteer recognizes and understands that activities at Habitat may, in some situations, involve inherently dangerous activities. Volunteer hereby expressly and specifically assumes the risk of injury or harm in these activities and releases Habitat from all liability for injury, illness, death, or property damage resulting from the activities of the Volunteer's work at Habitat.

4. **Insurance.** The Volunteer understands that, except as otherwise agreed to by Habitat in writing, Habitat does not carry or maintain health, medical, or disability insurance coverage for any Volunteer.

**Each volunteer is expected to carry medical or health insurance.**

5. **Photographic Release.** Volunteer does hereby grant and convey unto Habitat the right, title, and interest in any and all photographic images and video or audio recordings made by Habitat during the Volunteer's work at Habitat, including, but not limited to, any royalties, proceeds, or other benefits derived from such photographs or recordings.

6. **Other.** Volunteer expressly agrees that this Release is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by laws of the State of Indiana, and that the Release shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Indiana. Volunteer agrees that in the event that any clause or provision of the Release shall be held to be invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity of such clause or provision shall not otherwise affect the remaining provisions of this Release, which shall continue to be enforceable.

In WITNESS THEREOF, Volunteer has executed this Release as of the date first above written.

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_ Volunteer (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_