

Memphis Workcamp Leader's Guide 2022

"Things You Need To Know Before You Promote Workcamp"

Participants

Teens currently in 7th-12th grades (2021-2022 school year) may attend. Youth Ministers, interns, college students, and other youth volunteers may attend.

All participants must have medical insurance and complete an application.

Adult-Sponsors

Your group must include at least **one adult for every five teenagers**. An adult is defined as a person who has been out of high school for at LEAST one year. All adult-sponsors and youth ministers will serve as crew leaders.

Transportation

You must provide transportation and trailers/trucks for equipment for your group.

Lodging (for out-of-town groups)

Check out the "Housing" section of the website for hotel ideas.

Meals

Bring coolers for each crew's ice and water. Each worker must bring their own lunch, including drink, to work each day. Ice, water, and cups are provided at each site. We will provide dinner Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. Each youth group meets on their own on Wednesday night.

Crews

We suggest 2-3 adult leaders per crew and a crew size of 10-15 people.

Tools

Bring as many ladders as possible. Each worker brings their own ladder. You need extension and step ladders. Leaders should bring a tool box with hammer, saw, or other items for home repairs. Paint, brushes, rollers, paint buckets, scrapers, drop-cloths, etc. will be provided.

Preparation

Stress the seriousness of Workcamp. It is hard work. It is hot and humid. Everyone is expected to work without complaining. Everyone is expected to be a servant. Do some service projects before you come. Teach them how to be courteous guests in their host homes. **Pray for Workcamp!**

Cost

\$70 per worker, plus \$300 group fee

Youth ministers and interns attend for free.

SUMMARY CHECKLIST

- Recruit a 1:5 adult-student ratio.
 - One open trailer or truck per van.
 - One five-gallon water cooler and One large chest cooler per crew
 - One ladder per person.
 - Toolbox for minor repairs for each crew
 - Plan your own devotional/meal for Wednesday night of Workcamp.
 - **Make sure EVERY PERSON attending, including yourself, has:**
 - (1) A completed AND signed application, Medical insurance
- WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20: Reserve your group's spot by paying your Group Fee. This Fee is \$300 per church group. This is not a deposit; it is in addition to the fees for workers you will send with your registration. Checks for the Group Fee can be made out to "Memphis Workcamp", and mailed to our office:
400 North Houston Levee Road, Cordova, TN 38018
 - SUNDAY, MAY 1: Collect Individual Applications for each worker, including adults and youth ministers. Each person must fill out this Individual Application to work at Workcamp and have it returned to you, the leader.
Do not accept late applications.
 - By MONDAY, MAY 9: Complete the online registration for your group. Mail the Individual Applications and your check to the Workcamp office by this date. Be sure to make copies of these for your own records.