

# Volunteering with Hammers and Hearts

## Hammers and Hearts Sign Up Information

- Hammers and Hearts volunteer sessions are available for seven Saturdays in March – June.
- You may sign up for the 8am – 12pm morning shift, 1pm-4pm afternoon shift, or both.



**Faith Partnership  
Volunteers Hard at Work**

- Each church will lead volunteer recruitment efforts for 1 – 3 Hammers and Hearts volunteer sessions.
- You are welcomed and encouraged to sign up for ANY Hammers and Hearts Saturday but please consider also volunteering on **UUMC's priority dates:**
  - Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>**
  - Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>**
  - Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>**
- Sign up via this link: <http://vhub.at/hammersandhearts> using your existing login or by creating a new VolunteerHub account. Please note that registration for each shift will close 12-hours prior to the shift's start time, and all volunteers must be signed-up by that time.

## Volunteer FAQs

**What should I bring?** You may want to bring a water bottle and snack. Habitat will provide a water cooler, cups, and all tools and equipment. Please leave valuables at home.

**What should I wear?** Comfortable clothes that you would not mind getting dirty or covered in paint. Closed-toe athletic shoes or work boots are required – no sandals or Crocs.

**What if it's raining on the day of my shift?** Depending on the stage of construction, we may or may not be able to work. Habitat will update the weather hotline at (919) 932-7077 option 1 by 7:15am in case of weather-related cancellation.

**How old do I have to be to volunteer at the worksite?** Volunteers must be at least 16 years old to work on new home construction. All minor volunteers must have a waiver signed by a parent or guardian on file prior to volunteering.

**How else can I contribute to our church's partnership?** You can help prepare or purchase lunch. Churches are providing lunch in between each Hammers and Hearts volunteer shift. Donations are also always welcome. You may donate online at <https://www.orangehabitat.org/give>.



**Questions?**

Contact Ansel Prichard, Volunteer Engagement Manager  
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## Overview of Hammers and Hearts

### What is Hammers and Hearts?

Hammers and Hearts is a collective of congregations in Chapel Hill that come together to purchase materials and recruit volunteers to build a Habitat home for a low-income family.

The Spring 2022 group of churches are:

- Christ United Methodist Church
- University Presbyterian Church
- University United Methodist Church

*Hebrews 10:24 -*

*And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works*



### Why Volunteer for Habitat?

- Habitat offers homeownership to Orange County families who otherwise may not have the opportunity to own a home of their own.
- Habitat relies on volunteers to keep our building costs low.
- Volunteering with Habitat is flexible and fun and no prior construction experience is needed.
- Most importantly, you are directly impacting the lives of families like the Spring 2022 partner family below.

### Meet the Spring 2022 Hammers and Hearts Partner Family

Annah and Tyler Nyarangi



- Annah Nyarangi is a permanent resident from Kenya, Africa and is the single parent to 10-year-old Tyler.
- The family currently lives in a one-bedroom apartment and will be upgrading to a 3-bedroom home once construction is complete. Tyler is looking forward to having his own bedroom for the first time and has already picked out the biggest one.
- An incredibly hard worker, Annah is a full-time CNA at UNC Health, full-time student, and full-time Mom. She is working towards her goal of becoming a doctor and delivering babies.
- Annah did not learn about the possibility of applying for Habitat homeownership until she started volunteering on site to help others. Now she is excited about turning her dream of becoming an Orange County Homeowner into a reality. She is money savvy and ready to start saving!

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