

All Hands is a non-profit organization that harnesses the power of volunteers to bring direct assistance to those in need around the world.

TRUE VOLUNTEERISM

Our model is simple; we provide the basics so you can do the work. No payment is necessary, we provide the housing, meals, tools and work. You just have to get to us and help.

HUMANITARIAN AID

We respond to natural disasters and global aid needs with a flexible volunteer force. We come in after search and rescue and before longer term sustainable aid kicks in.

UNIQUE AND QUIRKY

Our dynamic energy, endearing quiriness and unwavering compassion enable us to connect volunteers with communities that need help the most.

HOW WE CAME TO BE

In 2005, our founder David Campbell flew to Thailand after seeing the devastating effects of the 2004 South East Asian tsunami. He traveled there to see what he could do to help.

After being turned down by aid organizations that weren't interested in spontaneous unaffiliated volunteers, David organized a group with the sole purpose of connecting those who wanted to help with those who needed it. After raising more than \$100,000, they began rebuilding five villages. Recognizing the power of true volunteerism, David founded All Hands Volunteers. It's with this history that we serve communities in need all across the globe, with an emphasis on flexibility, agility and open mindedness.



WHY VOLUNTEERS CHOOSE US

We don't charge any fees to volunteer.

We don't require any specific skill set.

We don't require a minimum time commitment.

We're nimble, effective, and achieve tangible results.

THE VALUE OF VOLUNTEERS



\$15 pays for the food, housing, local transportation, tools, materials and management costs of one volunteer for one day. Generally \$10 of this is spent locally.



Our standard workday in the field is seven hours.



\$18.04 is the accepted value of one hour of donated labor.



Each day the initial \$15 it costs to keep one volunteer in the field gets turned into \$126.28 worth of work. That's a multiplier of over 800%!

FACTS AND FIGURES

Since 2005 we've measured our success by the number of families we've helped and the number of volunteers we've empowered.

- 14 projects in 5 years
- 5,867 volunteers from 40+ countries
- 25,000+ families assisted
- 384,572 hours donated
- \$6,936,867 value of volunteer labor



CURRENTLY WITH ALL HANDS

Project Leogane launched on February 15, 2010, soon after the earthquake in Haiti. More than 30,000 people lost their lives in Leogane, the city closest to the earthquake's epicenter. All Hands continues to focus on rebuilding Leogane with several programs, including school builds, hygiene promotion, biosand filters and rubble and demolition.

PROJECT LEOGANE PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

TRANSITIONAL SCHOOL PROGRAM

Roughly 300 schools in the Leogane area were destroyed after the earthquake, and a year later many schools in the community are still made of tents, sticks and tarp.

We're building three-classroom transitional schools that will last for 15 to 20 years. The schools are designed to be earthquake and hurricane resistant, which means if a natural disaster hits, no one in the school will be hurt. Each school costs about \$25,000 to build and takes eight weeks on average to construct.

We furnish the schools with child-sized furniture and biosand filters, and involve community members throughout the entire process, culminating in an opening celebration led by those receiving the new school.



BIOSAND WATER FILTER PROGRAM

One out of every eight children in Haiti doesn't live to see his or her fifth birthday because of water-borne illnesses. This is more than in any other country in the western hemisphere. Over half the hospital beds are filled with people suffering from these diseases.

We are addressing Leogane's need for clean water with our biosand water filter program. The filters are built from locally sourced concrete, sand and gravel, and through a natural process they form an active layer that removes bacteria, viruses and worms, providing clean drinking water for up to 10 years.

We couple filter production with a community education component, ensuring the filters are properly used and maintained in the field.



RUBBLE & DEMOLITION

80% of Leogane's buildings were destroyed or damaged beyond repair. Without the tools to remove the rubble, many Haitians cannot clear the debris left by the earthquake.

We send our volunteers out with sledgehammers and wheelbarrows, and use Bobcats to help clear sites. It takes an average of 10 days to clear a site. Rubble is reused when possible because it can help control flooding or be repurposed and used as foundation.

Clearing home sites is the first step in getting earthquake survivors out of tent camps and back to their homes to begin rebuilding their lives.



IN THE NEWS



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