



We're one week closer to Whirlpool Building Blocks 2009 in Atlanta! This week's newsletter provides you with a snapshot of the construction schedule.

Construction:

What a difference a week makes! Last week's edition of "Around the Block" featured an aerial photo of The Avery, host site for Whirlpool Building Blocks 2009. Since that photo was taken, volunteers from all over metro Atlanta and our eight partner families have been hard at work raising the walls of our eight homes. We appreciate the hard work of these volunteers in the sweltering Atlanta heat! You can see the fruits of their labors in the pictures below.



So you might be wondering what we will be doing from a construction perspective during the week... here are the major tasks we'll undertake:

Monday

To ensure we reach our first major milestone of getting the houses watertight or "dried in," Monday's agenda is the most ambitious. The most important thing you can do to prepare for Monday is to hydrate! *Hotlanta* feels hottest when you spend the day working on a rooftop. And don't forget to pack the sunscreen.

- Install roof trusses
- Install porch columns, beams and trusses
- Deck and felt the roofs
- Start shingling roofs
- Install exterior doors & windows
- Install attic stairs, decking and extra framing

Tuesday

The major milestone for Tuesday is to have house interiors ready for drywall. However, Tuesday will also be a heavy shingling day. Nailing roof shingles can be rough on the knees. You may want to bring cushioned kneepads if you plan to spend time on the roof.

- Continue shingling and siding
- Insulate walls
- Install porch railings and finish porch
- Begin exterior painting

Wednesday

Wednesday's major milestone is completing the installation of all countertops and cabinets. It will start to feel like a home!

- Install interior trim and doors
- Begin interior painting
- Install cabinets and countertops
- Finish shingling and roof vents
- Finish siding
- Continue exterior painting
- Install soffits & fascia

Thursday

Everyone should plan to get dirty on Thursday because it is landscaping day! We will dig holes, plant shrubs and lay sod. This would be a good day to wear one of the t-shirts you brought from home.

- Finish interior and exterior painting
- Install doorknobs and bathroom hardware
- Clean up interiors
- Landscaping

Friday

Friday is the day! The major milestone for Friday goes without saying – complete and dedicate the houses with our eight partner families. That means finish work on the interior and exterior of the houses, complete any leftover landscaping, bring in those *WONDERFUL WHIRLPOOL APPLIANCES* and clean up the site in time for the eight house dedications.

- Set appliances
- Interior finishing
- Exterior finishing
- Clean up exterior

Safety Information:

Please note that you will soon be receiving a separate e-mail from Pure Safety.com with an opportunity to learn about build site safety. Please take time to read through the interactive learning materials so that we can ensure a safe building experience for everyone involved in Whirlpool Building Blocks. (While completing the courses are optional, you will continue to receive e-mail reminders until you've completed the online training.) 😊

House assignments:

Be sure to check out the exciting news contained in the other attachment in this e-mail. You'll find out whose house you'll be helping to build and who will be working alongside you ...in this amazing, rewarding journey to help provide quality, affordable, energy-efficient housing for our partner families!



Coming next week: Updated travel information and event registration information

If you have questions about Whirlpool Building Blocks, please contact Tera @ tpham@meetings-incentives.com.



Are you a seasoned WBB volunteer or maybe new to the Habitat experience?

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