



Two weeks and counting!

The excitement is building.... and soon you will be, too!

With just two weeks until we meet in Atlanta, the Whirlpool Building Blocks team is busily putting together the final details to make this extraordinary event a success. We've been planning for 10 months and it's hard to believe that we're on the cusp of seeing the results of months of hard work. The anticipation is unbelievable!

Where to go to get your gear

This week you'll receive a separate e-mail from Whirlpool Building Blocks containing information regarding where and when to pick up your Whirlpool Building Blocks t-shirts, hats and other necessary materials. You'll also need to sign a build waiver and complete other paperwork. Atlanta-based folks will have two opportunities to do so. Those of you coming in from out of town will pick up your materials at the hotel.

The e-mail will also tell you how you'll get to the build site and what time you'll need to arrive each morning. In order to complete the homes by Friday morning, we'll get an early start every day (a good thing since it gets hot so early!). Please be sure to arrive at your morning check-in location promptly so that we can start on time. A hot breakfast will indeed be waiting for you at the build site! (And believe us... you'll want to partake of this Habitat breakfast!)

What to wear at the build site

Two weeks ago, *Around the Block* gave you some ideas regarding what you should pack and/or bring with you to the build. We would like to emphasize that week-long builders will be provided with **two** t-shirts for the week. **We would like you to wear them on Monday for the kick-off, Wednesday for house photos and again on Friday for house dedications.**

Please feel free to bring other t-shirts to wear on Tuesday and Thursday. If you have participated in previous WBB events this would be a great opportunity to wear one of those t-shirts again. We also suggest that you could wear other Habitat or Whirlpool-related shirts on Tuesday or Thursday. These could trigger some great discussions!

As a reminder, if you are asked to get on the roof to assist with shingling, it would be beneficial to have knee pads. The shingles are hot and can really do damage to those knees!

Also, please be sure to bring sunscreen with you and wear it every day. You should even bring it with you to the build site daily so that you can reapply throughout the day. So far, it's been a hot summer in Atlanta and we don't want to send home any lobsters!

Of special note

- Hydrate. Hydrate. Hydrate. (This will be a theme during the week!)
- Laundry facilities are provided at the hotel; however, there are just a few washers and dryers. Pack accordingly.
- If we have leftover Whirlpool Building Blocks (WBB) merchandise such as t-shirts or hats, we will sell them at the end of the week at the build site. Please be sure to bring your checkbook or cash with you.
- Put your name on everything you take to the build site... build bags, hats, gloves, hard hats, tools, etc. Markers will be available at WBB registration so that you can label your items before you take them to your room.
- Be sure to leave some extra space in your luggage when traveling to Atlanta so that you'll have room for all your items when you return. Those hard hats can take up a lot of space!

Coming next week: Last-minute updates!

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



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

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