



Eight Days of Hope – Buffalo 2022

July 16th – July 23rd, 2022

What are the plans for Eight Days of Hope – Buffalo?

Eight Days of Hope will be leading volunteers from the local church, the Western NY community, and from across the country, as we plan to serve at least 100 families in the Fillmore District with free home repairs.

How does one volunteer?

You can volunteer on our website under the words "[Volunteer](#)" on our homepage.

Does a volunteer have to attend all eight days?

No, we do ask that you volunteer for at least one full day.

What is the cost to attend?

It is free! We provide food and lodging. You just have to show up with a willing heart to serve. We rely on churches, businesses, individuals, and our volunteers for donations. If you are interested in sponsoring this event, please let us know.

What are the sleeping arrangements?

If you are from outside the WNY region and need lodging, we will provide sleeping accommodations. We will assign lodging when you arrive. Lodging is separated by gender. Volunteers bring air mattresses, cots, and sleeping bags. We will provide a safe place for you to sleep with shower trailers on site. Lodging will be provided at local churches. There will also be tent sites available.

Will there be any RV spots available?

We will offer free RV accommodations. We will provide a place for you to park your RV and have access to water and power.

Do I have to bring my own food?

No. Local volunteers who are not utilizing our lodging will be provided lunch. Volunteers who are lodging with us will be provided all their meals.

What kind of work will we be doing?

There is something for everyone! The 100 families that we will be serving need landscaping, painting, roofing, plumbing, electrical and carpentry work. All skill sets are needed.

Should we bring tools?

Yes! Please bring any tools that you can, especially those that you would anticipate using for any of the above-mentioned tasks. You will pick the type of work you do and can volunteer as a team at some sites. We also will provide tools if needed.

Can we bring our children? What about youth groups, can they attend?

Yes, Eight Days of Hope is family friendly! Every youth volunteer (under the age of 18) that comes with an adult that is not their parent must bring a notarized Parental Consent form signed by one of his/her parents. **These forms can be found on our website.** We are asking for one adult chaperone per four youth. Please remember that there will be unique sleeping arrangements separated by gender if you are needing lodging.

Can we bring our pets?

Sorry, but no pets are allowed.

What will be a typical day serving with Eight Days of Hope?

Breakfast will start at 6:15 am for our out-of-town guests. At 7:00 am, all the volunteers for that day are invited to attend a 10-15 special time of worship and devotion. At 7:30 everyone will leave to serve the families. Lunch will be delivered or taken to the sites by the volunteers. Dinner will begin at 6:00 pm. In the evenings, we ask that you invite the family you are serving back for dinner. At 7:00 pm we offer an optional time of worship and devotion. The day ends at 7:30, the only exception will be Sunday, the 18th. We encourage the volunteers to visit a local church. We will start the day of volunteering at 11:00 am.

What times can we arrive to “check in” to Eight Days of Hope and where do we go?

Our headquarters will be at Elim Christian Fellowship, located on 70 Chalmers Ave. Buffalo, NY, 14214. Check-in will begin at 3:00 pm on Friday, July 15th, and remains open until 8:00 pm on the same day. Thereafter, our check in hours will be from 6:30 am to 8:00 pm each day of EDOH Buffalo.

If I am a local volunteer, what time do you expect me on the day I am scheduled to volunteer?

We suggest coming by 7:00 am to check in and get your t-shirt. After the morning announcements, you will sit through a 20-minute orientation and then you will be released to serve!

How does a volunteer receive a ticket to Six Flags?

If you serve with Eight Days of Hope for 3 full days, you will receive one day pass for Six Flags – Darian Lake! We will stamp your name badge each day you serve. Once you have reached three stamps, or have completed the outreach, you will turn your name badge into the front office, and we will give you your day pass! You can pick which day you go to Kingdom Bound! Kingdom Bound is July 24th – 27th.

What should I bring?

- Jeans, good working boots or shoes
- Gloves
- Bible
- Case of water
- Linens, pillow, blanket, sleeping bag, air mattress or cot (if you are lodging with us)
- Towel, Toiletries
- We will provide two EDOH t-shirts that we ask you to wear as you serve

Does Eight Days of Hope have a promotional video for my church or place of business?

Yes! You can find the promotional video on our website and on our YouTube channel.

What else can we do to prepare for Eight Days of Hope - Buffalo?

Please pray for the families that we are serving, and that God would be glorified by our actions. Pray for safety, both while we work and for travel mercies for the volunteers.

If you have any additional questions, please email edohbuffalo@eightdaysofhope.com.

See you in Buffalo!