



# Episcopal Diocese of Louisiana

The Right Rev. Charles Jenkins, Bishop



## Office of Disaster Response

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## YOUTH VOLUNTEER AGREEMENT AND RELEASE

Please read before signing, as this constitutes the agreement as a youth volunteer and the understanding of your working relationship as a volunteer with the Office of Disaster Response New Orleans and the Diocese of the Episcopal Church of Louisiana.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, acknowledge and state the following:

I have chosen to travel and to perform clean-up, remediation or repair work for damage caused by a disaster.

I understand that this travel and work entails a risk of physical injury and often involves hard physical labor, heavy lifting and other strenuous activity; and that some activities may take place on ladders and building framing other than ground level. I certify that I am in good health and physically able to perform this type of work.

I understand that engaging in this activity involves certain risks, not all of which are foreseen. I am engaging in this project at my own risk. I understand that this is a "grass roots" activity to support individuals adversely affected by hurricane/flood disaster or are receiving assistance to repair or replace substandard housing. I assume all risk and responsibility for any damage or injury to my property or any personal injury, which I may sustain while involved in this project, and related medical costs and expenses.

In the event that my supervising disaster organization arranges accommodations, I understand that they are not responsible or liable for my personal effects and property and that they will not provide lock up or security for any items. I will hold them harmless in the event of theft or for loss resulting from any source or cause. I further understand that I am to abide by whatever rules and regulations may be in effect for the accommodations at that time.

By my signature, for myself, my estate, and my heirs, I hereby release and discharge, and agree to defend, indemnify and forever hold harmless The Office of Disaster Response, New Orleans, the Diocese and their officers, directors, agents, volunteers, servants and employees, from any and all causes of action arising from or relating to my participation in this project, and travel or lodging associated therewith, including any damages including but not limited to claims for personal injury, sickness or loss of limb or life, even if said claims arise from injuries or illnesses caused by the sole negligence or fault of those hereby released.

I understand the need for confidentiality and will not discuss, photograph or otherwise disclose identifying information about the occupants of the house I am working in without prior permission from the Diocese and the occupants, including any reference to names, addresses, or other identifying information.

If I agree to allowing the use of photos I have taken, I understand that ECS has the right to use them for communications or fundraising.

YOUTH SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PRINT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PRINT NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN: \_\_\_\_\_

WITNESS: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATES OF YOUTH RETREAT / DATES COVERED BY THIS LIABILITY FORM: \_\_\_\_\_ THRU \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
city state zip

EMERGENCY CONTACT: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

ORGANIZATION OR CHURCH NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

GROUP LEADER: \_\_\_\_\_