

Chipola Area HFH | Marianna, FL



Hurricane Michael, a category 5 hurricane, struck the Chipola area in 2018 decimating the local housing stock, destroying homes, and leaving many uninhabitable. This tragedy, along with the housing shortage the area faced prior to the hurricane, made it challenging for them to recover.

Chipola Area Habitat for Humanity committed to building 20 new homes across Jackson and Washington counties to assist homeowners in their journey to resilience.

Join the movement to rebuild homes and hope in the Florida panhandle community as they focus their recovery efforts on affordable and fortified housing.



Estimated program donation for team of 10

Thrivent client with benefit membership: \$635

Program donation: \$1,085

About your program cost

There are two components to your program donation: program location expenses and a donation to the local Habitat affiliate.

Thrivent's contributions help offset program costs for domestic builds, making participation more affordable. In addition, Thrivent helps fund the donation portion on behalf of all participants, covering the donation in full for Thrivent clients with benefit membership and in part for all others.

Number of days

7 – Sunday-Saturday

Type of build

Home construction

Program description

When you join this build, you will work alongside Chipola Area Habitat for Humanity to build homes, community, and hope with their new construction team, local volunteers, and other supporters. Depending on the stage of the home, volunteers can expect to:

- frame and raise walls
- install windows, doors, and siding
- paint
- lay flooring
- install interior doors and trim
- assemble cabinets
- build fences
- Landscape

Off the work site, you may have the opportunity to explore the local area including a local dairy farm, Florida Cavern State Park, and the nearby beaches in Panama City Beach.

Accommodations and meals

You will stay at a local hotel. Meals will vary slightly from day to day. Breakfast will be provided at the hotel. The affiliate will provide lunch on build days. Dinner will be at local restaurants. We are fully prepared to adjust meals for dietary restrictions.

Itinerary

Sunday: Arrive. Arrive at Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport (ECP) by 2 pm. Travel as a team to Marianna and check into the hotel. Enjoy your first team dinner.

Monday: Welcome & Build. Meet the Chipola HFH team for orientation in the morning and join them on the build site breaking for lunch, snacks and water. Enjoy dinner with affiliate staff.

Tuesday-Wednesday: Build. Spend the day on the build site, breaking for lunch, snacks and water. You'll have free time and team activities in the evenings.

Thursday: Build & explore. Spend the day on the build site, breaking for lunch, snacks and water. End the build day early to explore local activities followed by team dinner.

Friday: Explore. Depart for Panama City Beach for your last day and evening. Enjoy a final dinner with your team.

Saturday: Goodbyes. Continue your journey independently or depart for home.

