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Project Leader Description for Rock the Block Event

Role Summary

The volunteer Project Leader helps Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity transform and revitalize neighborhoods by leading a group of 8 to 15 semi-skilled or unskilled volunteers to safely complete a specific list of home repair, maintenance or improvement projects at a single family residence during a Rock the Block event. Prior to the event, the Project Leader also helps Habitat staff determine the scope of work and identify the materials and equipment needed to complete the tasks.

Time Commitment

9 to 14 hours total, including:

- 1 to 2 hours: Orientation meeting
- 1 to 2 hours: Project specific meeting in advance of the work day
- 1 to 2 hours: Time spent completing and/or verifying materials and equipment requirements lists and communicating with the event coordinator
- 6 to 8 hours: Participate in a scheduled Rock the Block Event

Skills Needed

A successful project leader must have a desire to serve others, plus an ability to demonstrate and assign tasks and check for completion. Rock the Block events involve multiple projects that require one or more of the following skills:

- Carpentry for repairs or building: siding, soffit or roof repair, trim, porch repair, accessibility ramp construction
- Landscaping: trimming, planting, installing edging, building retaining walls, assisting with drainage solutions
- Painting: interior or exterior including prep work, resurfacing, and clean up
- Basic electrical, mechanical or plumbing: changing light fixture(s), faucets, toilets, sealing duct work, changing filters
- Basic home maintenance and weatherization: caulking, sanding, installing weather stripping and insulation

Each Project Leader will complete a skills assessment as part of the initial orientation meeting. This will help Habitat staff match Project Leaders to tasks.

Habitat Staff Lead for Rock the Block

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