



# HONDURAS GLOBAL VILLAGE BUILD

*WHEN: May 5 to 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012*

*CLOSED Build through Habitat Hamilton*

## About Honduras

Honduras is one of the poorest and least developed countries in Latin America, with nearly two-thirds of Hondurans living in poverty. Before 1998, Honduras had shown moderate economic growth as a result of government reforms. Nevertheless, after losing US\$3 billion due to Hurricane Mitch, Honduras' economy is still in the process of recovery. The agriculture sector, responsible for most exports, was the worst affected. Mitch also caused more than 6,000 deaths and left 8,085 missing and 75,000 homeless.



After the Hurricane Mitch tragedy, the housing deficit percentage increased from 63 percent in March 1998 to 66 percent in March 1999, representing an increase of 165,000 houses.

## Habitat for Humanity in Honduras

Habitat for Humanity's work in Honduras began in Santa Cruz de Yojoa, Cortés in the Yure River valley in 1988. There are now five regional offices reaching more than 50 communities.

## Itinerary

Our build will begin right here in Hamilton where we will be working on a local project together before our departure. We are aiming to build together a Saturday in April.

We will build in Honduras, and again re-convene on a Hamilton site and swing our hammers for one last time together as a group on a Saturday in June.

While in Honduras our itinerary will look something like this:

- Sat. May 5 - Arrive in Honduras
- Sun. May 6 - Orientation/ Travel to build location
- Mon. May 7 to Fri. May 12 - Build days
- Sat. May 12 & Sun. May 13 - R&R days
- Mon. May 14 – Depart Honduras

\*Note: Itinerary is subject to change



## Accommodations

Global Village volunteer teams stay in small hotels, retreat centres, or dormitory accommodations that are basic, safe, and clean, with sheets and blankets provided. Volunteers

will share rooms and bathrooms. Any special considerations will be looked after as best as possible.

### **Costs**

This 10 day trip to Honduras will cost approximately \$ 1,300 + round-trip airfare + \$ 300 for the R&R\*.

The trip cost includes: lodging, food, ground transportation, traveler's medical insurance, orientation materials and a donation to HFH Honduras and the Global Village program. Participants will need to arrange and pay for air transportation from their point of departure to San Pedro Sula, Honduras. This arrangement should be done in consultation with the team leader.

\*Habitat for Humanity Canada will issue charitable donation tax receipts for the trip cost and the *eligible* airfare – this will be 2 separate receipts (the airfare receipt is processed after your trip). The costs for the R&R portion of the trip are not eligible for a tax receipt and this money must not be sent to HFH Canada. Your team leader will let you know how to pay this.

### **Team Leader**

Hi, our names are Gabrielle and Billy Martell and we are father-daughter team leaders. We are from this area and are hoping to take a team from this community to build in Santa Rosa de Copan, Honduras.

Gabrielle is a Registered Nurse and Billy is a Trustee in Bankruptcy and we both work out of Hamilton. We have travelled together most recently to Hawaii on a GV build.

This is an endeavour we are undertaking in order to bridge two communities towards one common goal, ours at home, and one abroad. We are extremely excited to travel, build, and work with our future team.



There will be an information night where we plan to answer all of your questions:

**WHEN - Monday February 20<sup>th</sup> 2012 at 7PM**

**WHERE -** Habitat for Humanity Hamilton  
245 Nash Road, Unit 10  
Hamilton, ON  
905.560.6701, ext 102

If you'd like to find out more information in the meantime or would like to apply to be part of the team email Gabrielle at [gabriellemartell@hotmail.com](mailto:gabriellemartell@hotmail.com) or our volunteer coordinator at [volunteers@habitathamilton.ca](mailto:volunteers@habitathamilton.ca) with any further questions.