

Itinerary

- June 13 (Sun): Arrive in Santiago (after overnight flight) & Orientation
- June 14-18 (Mon-Fri): Build Days
- June 19-20 (Sat-Sun): R&R combined with Cultural Activities
- June 21-23 (Mon-Wed): Build Days & Farewell Celebration
- June 24-25 (Thurs-Fri): R&R
- June 26 (Sat): Depart for home



Team Leader

Christian Petrenko is excited to lead and participate in his 4th Global Village trip. His previous 3 trips were to Thailand, Botswana and Cambodia. He currently lives in Toronto where he works for a real estate investment firm and loves to combine traveling with volunteering which has taken him to over 30 countries around the world. Christian looks forward to sharing this memorable and life-changing experience with you.



Please feel free to contact Christian with any questions you might have at christian.petrenko@waterviewcapital.ca. If you would like to learn more about this trip or apply on-line please visit <http://habitat.ca/tripschedulec235.php?PJID=196>

Habitat for Humanity Global Village Trip



Santiago, Chile June 13 - June 26, 2010

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The Trip

A trip with a purpose! A Global Village trip abroad is an experience that is rewarding and life-changing. This is an opportunity for you to roll up your sleeves and make a difference.

Experience the natural beauty, culture and history of Chile. Team members and local residents alike work hand-in-hand with the community to help families in need of adequate housing. The Chile Global Village team is looking for a diverse group of energetic, flexible, and adventurous individuals who share a willingness to make a difference in the lives of others.

There is no previous building experience required; the only prerequisites are the desire to work hard and willingness to be a contributing member of the team. We will be building simple, adequate housing in Chile's capital city, Santiago.

About Chile

About twice the size of Montana, but stretched long and skinny down the south-western end of South America, Chile is wedged between the Pacific Ocean and the Andes Mountains. Barely extending beyond 200 kilometres (124 miles) in width, Chile rises rapidly from sea level to 6,000 meters (19,680 feet).

Chile is a highly urbanized country, with nearly 86 percent of its 16.6 million people living in urban settings. However, Chile also has one of the highest economic divides in the world and the present challenge is overcoming that gap. Habitat is working in the country to make permanent housing affordable for families – and help families secure the right to their own land.

About Habitat for Humanity Chile

HFH Chile was established in 2001, and by March of 2002 the first three homes were built in Caldera. Today, there are Habitat projects in each of the five regions of the country. Habitat houses in Chile are designed according to the location and each region's construction methods. All houses use natural light, ventilated interior spaces, durable materials and simple construction plans.



Types of Construction for Volunteers

Volunteers may assist with home improvements, finishing partially constructed homes; housing repairs; additions and expansions.

In this particular project, Our Children Return Home, volunteers construct modifications and additions to the homes of families with critically ill children. The poor housing conditions cause the children's illnesses to worsen, and some must live in hospitals and medical centers instead of at home with their families. With the help of Habitat Chile volunteers, the children can continue treatment safely and comfortably at home with their families.

Our work team can expect to do a variety of different jobs, such as cutting wood, nailing together walls and trusses, tamping foundations, mixing cement, cutting or tying rebar and wire, fixing paneling, installing siding, installing drywall and installing insulation.

Accommodations

Teams in Santiago will stay in a simple hotel. Generally, teams stay two to a room with shared bathrooms. Breakfast will be provided at the hotel and dinner will usually be at a nearby restaurant. Lunch will be eaten at the work site, where snacks and water will also be provided.

Costs

The cost of a Global Village trip includes lodging, meals, ground transportation, traveler's medical insurance, orientation materials, and a donation to HFH Chile & the Global Village program. Participants will need to arrange and pay for air transportation from their point of departure to Santiago, Chile. This reservation should be made in consultation with the team leader.

Habitat for Humanity Canada will issue charitable donation tax receipts for the trip cost and airfare.



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