

ADULT VOLUNTEER AGREEMENT & RELEASE

Please read before signing, as this constitutes the agreement as a volunteer and the understanding of your working relationship as a volunteer with the Dioceses of the Episcopal Church of New York, New Jersey & Easton, including its Office of Disaster Response (hereinafter "the Diocese").

I, _____ acknowledge and state the following:

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

I understand that this travel and work entails a risk of physical injury or can involve hard physical labor, heavy lifting and other strenuous activity. 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 the 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, and that the conditions might be hazardous to my health. 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.

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 Diocese and its officers, directors agents, volunteers, servants and employees, from any and all 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 of 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.

If any vehicle owned or leased by, or otherwise in the possession of the Diocese or my supervising disaster organization or of any of their employees, supervisors or volunteers, is involved in transporting me, I understand that the transportation is being provided at my sole risk and that neither the Diocese or my supervising disaster organization or any of their employees, supervisors or volunteers or the driver of the vehicle is responsible for any accident involving the vehicle or any injury that I might suffer in connection with the transportation.

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. I hereby certify that I am at least 18 years old.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____ Email: _____

I agree in having my photograph taken by the Diocesan communications staff or in allowing the use of photos I have taken, I understand that the Diocese has the right to use them for communications or fundraising.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Group Name: _____ Phone Number:(____) _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Relationship: _____

Phone:(____) _____ Alternate Phone:(____) _____