

# Rebuilding after Sandy: Gerritsen Beach

## Volunteer Opportunities

### KEY DATES:

**May 20 – June 1** - Skilled Trades Work Days

**June 1 & 2** – Pre-Event Work Weekend

**June 4** – Orientation dinner, 7 – 9pm, Location TBA

**June 5** – Onsite preparation, 8:30am – 5pm, Vollies Hall (43 Seba Ave.)

**June 6** – Volunteer Event Day, 7:30am – 5pm

**June 7** – Punch list and cleanup, 8:30am – 1pm

## WHAT

Rebuilding Together's National Office in partnership with Rebuilding Together New York City is looking for experienced individuals – skilled trades people and project House Captains – to participate in a 12 house, 3 community space rebuild in Gerritsen Beach, NY.

We are looking for:

- Skilled trades people: Carpenters, Plumbers, Electricians
  - Those with tools are welcome to bring them; you will be responsible for any lost or damaged tools.
- Individuals who have experience as a House Captain on Rebuilding Together projects
- Individuals who have a familiarity with Rebuilding Together projects and will be able to jump in to manage the work flow and volunteers of a work site with minimal direction and supervision.

We have a variety of opportunities and will work with you to meet your availability. See below for specific volunteer opportunities.

Contact Tracy Lonstein at 202.518.3116 or [tlonstein@rebuildingtogether.org](mailto:tlonstein@rebuildingtogether.org) with any questions or to discuss your interest and availability.

## Skilled Trades Opportunity: May 22 – June 7

If you are able to share your time and talent to provide critical repair work for 12 families to enable them to live in a warm, safe and dry home, we need your help.

Contributing even one day of your time goes a long way.

### Skilled Trades Needed:

- Flooring (12 projects, multiple rooms)
- Sheetrock (12 projects, multiple rooms)
- Plumber (13 projects, multiple rooms)
- Carpenter (14 projects, multiple rooms)
- Fencer (3 projects)
- Gutter (1 project)
- Concrete (1 project)
- Landscaping (1 project)
- Electrician (2 projects)

## House Captain Opportunity: June 4 - 7

Do you have experience leading teams of volunteers on Rebuilding Together projects? Are you a skilled trades person that likes working with volunteers?

We are looking for approximately 20 - 25 individuals who would like to oversee a project and provide skilled labor assistance and manage volunteers. Unskilled volunteers have already been solicited and are ready to help the homeowners of Gerritsen Beach, we are looking for leaders to bring a great volunteer experience.

- Tuesday, June 4: Orientation dinner 7-9pm, location TBD
- Wednesday, June 5: Onsite preparation 8:30am-5pm, Vollies Hall (43 Seba Ave)
- **Thursday, June 6: Volunteer Event Day 7:30am-5pm, check-in with RTNYC**
- Friday, June 7: Punchlist and cleanup 8:30am-1pm, Vollies Hall (43 Seba Ave)

## LOGISTICS

**Rebuilding Together will reimburse reasonable expenses for all volunteers.**

### *Transportation*

Volunteers are responsible for arranging their own transportation. Rebuilding Together will reimburse at the federal standard rate of 56.5 cents per mile. Carpooling is encouraged. Street parking is available.

### *Housing*

Two options for overnight accommodations:

- 1) For \$10/night there is a hostel near the project site on a first-come-first-serve basis with limited availability; accommodations are bunk beds in a shared house modified into 2 apartments (one male, one female), linens provided. Contact Tracy Lonstein for more information or to reserve a space.
- 2) Best Western close to the project site with reasonable rates. (Best Western Brooklyn Bay: <http://book.bestwestern.com/bestwestern/US/NY/Brooklyn-hotels/BEST-WESTERN-PLUS-Brooklyn-Bay-Hotel/Hotel-Overview.do?propertyCode=33131>)

Lodging at the hostel or shared hotel accommodations preferred where possible.

### *Meals*

For those volunteering during the project week, some meals will be provided. Dinner will be provided on Tuesday June 4; breakfast and lunch provided Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, June 5-7.

Other meals will be reimbursed per the following:

Up to \$25.00/Breakfast and Lunch up to 35.00/Dinner; not to exceed \$75 per day

## NEXT STEPS

- 1 Register at: [http://vhub.at/gerritsen\\_beach\\_RT](http://vhub.at/gerritsen_beach_RT) by **Friday May 24th**
- 2 Informational call on **Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00pm EST**
  - Call: 1.800.511.8018 Conference ID: 5607747

All volunteers will be briefed regarding their project site to include the work scope and homeowner information.

House Captains will be provided with a map of the area, a manual on the overall work scope, the volunteer work scope and homeowner stories.

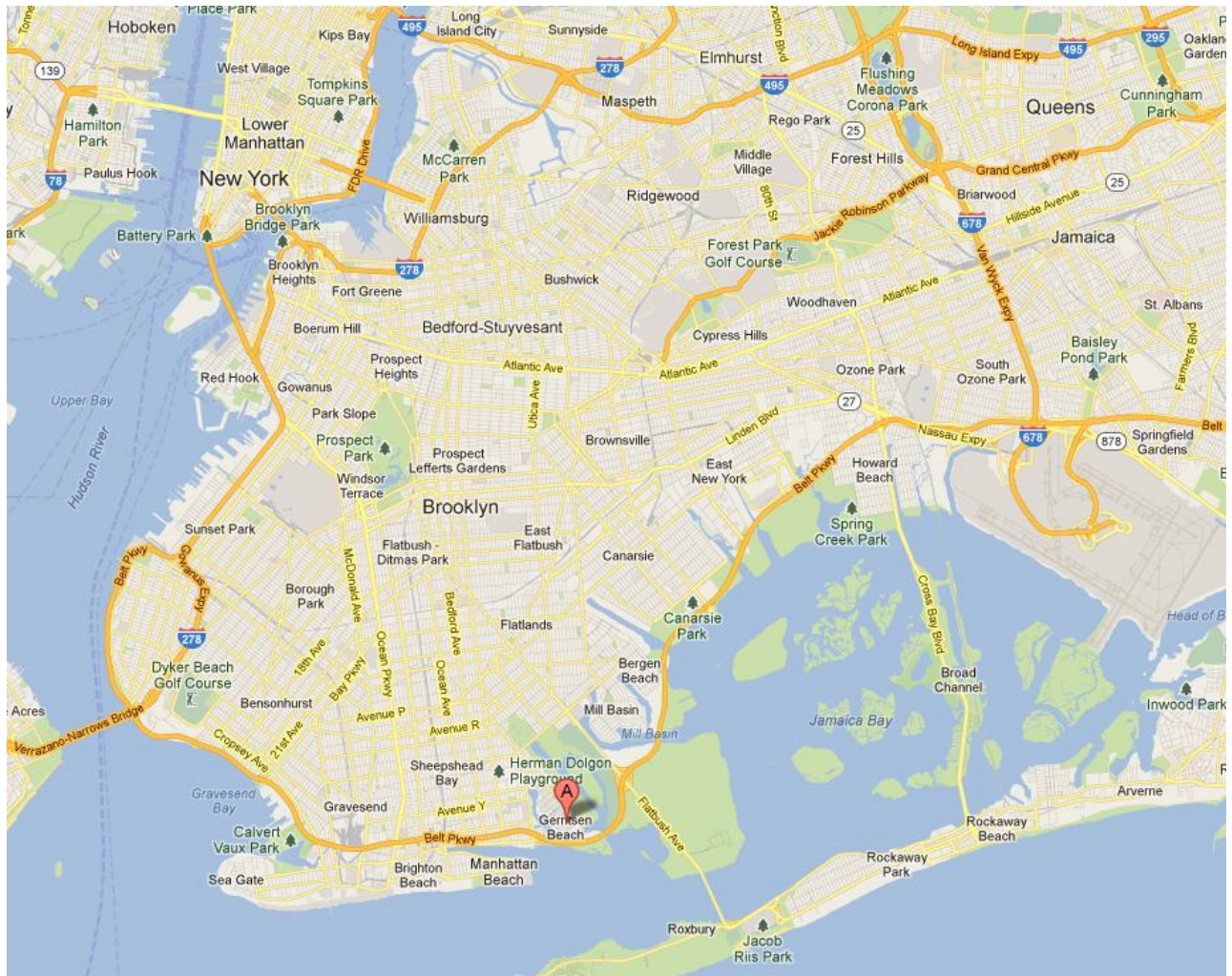
**All interested parties MUST sign up through the online system and RSVP to Tracy Lonstein to confirm participation.**

## QUESTIONS

Contact Tracy Lonstein at [tlonstein@rebuildingtogether.org](mailto:tlonstein@rebuildingtogether.org) or 202.518.3116

## LOCATION

The neighborhood of Gerritsen Beach is near the southern tip of Brooklyn, about an hour drive south of Mid-Town Manhattan. The neighborhood is full of hard working service people; many of them are first responders, police officers and city workers. The neighborhood is a thriving summer hide a-way for many of the young families; offer a community beach to keep the children occupied all day. There is also a strong aging population, many of which have been in their homes for 20+ years.



## SAMPLE WORKSCOPE

### 116 Gain Court

**House Captain:** TBD

**Skilled Trades:**

- Flooring
- Sheetrock
- Plumber
- Cabinet/Carpenter

**Materials:** \*All necessary materials will be provided by RTNYC and on the project site. You will have the opportunity to review the material list for event day.

- Basic
  - Hammer
  - Level
  - Phillips screw driver
  - Flathead screw driver
  - Tape measure
  - Rags
  - Pliers
  - Wrench
  - Putty knife
  - Trash bags
  - Crow bar
- Subflooring
  - Plywood (5 rooms, XXX sq ft)
  - Wood screws
  - Screw gun
  - Adhesive
- Sheetrock
  - 7 rooms, XXX sq ft
- Mud/Tape/Prime
  - Bags of mud (7 bags)
  - 5 gallon buckets
  - Mixer stick
  - Mud tray
  - Rolls of plastic tape (7 rolls)
  - Metal scraper (4" and 8")
  - Sanding block
  - Cans of primer (7 rooms, XXX sq ft)
  - Roller
  - Nap (3)
  - Angled brush (5")
  - Extension
  - 5 gallon bucket
  - Roller panel for bucket
  - Blue tape
  - Drop cloth
- Hardwood Flooring/Base Molding
  - 7 rooms, XXX sq ft
  - Utility knife
  - Base molding (7 rooms, XXX sq ft)
  - Miter box
  - Wood hand saw
  - Nail gun (base molding)
  - Wood nails for gun (molding)
- Insulation
  - 3 rooms, XXX sq ft

- Sheetrock screws
- Screw gun
- Staple gun
- Staples
- Kitchen cabinets
  - XXX, dimensions
  - Wood screws
  - Screw gun
- Kitchen sink
  - Double basin
  - Clear calking (1 tube)
  - Calk gun
- Accessible bathtub
  - XXX, dimensions
  - Clear calking (2 tubes)
  - Calk gun
- Bathroom vanity
  - XXX, dimensions
  - Clear calking (1 tube)
  - Calk gun
- Toilet (16.5")
  - Clear calking (1 tube)
  - Calk gun
- Doors
  - XXX, dimensions
  - Drill w/bits
- Stairs
  - Tread (XXX, dimensions)
  - Rise (XXX, dimensions)
  - Wood nails
  - Nail gun
- Windows
  - XXX, size
  - Wood nails
  - Sealant
  - Wood shims

### **Week of May 20 Goals**

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- Bedrooms
  - Install subflooring
  - Sheetrock/mud/tape/prime
  - Install flooring (hardwood)
  - Install base molding
- Living Room
  - Install subflooring
  - Replace windows (3)
  - Sheetrock/mud/tape/prime
  - Install flooring (hardwood)
  - Install base molding
- Bathroom
  - Install insulation
  - Install subflooring
  - Replace windows
  - Sheetrock/mud/tape/prime
  - Install vanity
  - Install accessible bathtub
  - Install toilet
  - Install flooring (hardwood)
  - Replace door
- Kitchen
  - Install insulation
  - Sheetrock/mud/tape/prime
  - Repair ceiling
  - Install flooring (hardwood)
  - Install base molding
  - Replace cabinets
  - Replace sink
- Stairs
  - Repair/replace damaged stairs

**Week of May 27 Goals**

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- Dining Room
  - Install subflooring
  - Sheetrock/mud/tape/prime
  - Install flooring (hardwood)
  - Install base molding
  - Install flooring (hardwood)
  - Install base molding
  - Install door
- Boiler Room
  - Install insulation
  - Sheetrock/mud/tape/prime
- Foyer
  - Install subflooring
  - Sheetrock/mud/tape/prime
  - Install flooring (hardwood)
  - Install base molding

**Week of June 3 Goals**

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- Install three (3) interior doors

**Event Day – June 6**

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- Paint throughout
- Remaining flooring (hardwood)
- Outlet covers
- Hang doors
- Light landscaping