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Saturday Bulletin

Thank you for participating in building futures! This bulletin is intended to give you a brief overview of what you need to prepare for the project in order to have the best Corazón experience possible.

Before You Go Checklist

- ✓ **Documentation:** U.S. citizens are required to have a U.S. passport or passport cards. Senti card and Global Entry card are also accepted.
- ✓ **Mexican Auto Insurance:** Check with your insurance carrier, some offer coverage in Mexico. If not, you can purchase insurance online, BEFORE the build with Bajabound, our proud partner. Visit the Bajabound website at www.bajabound.com.
- ✓ **Supplies:** Bring sunscreen, hat, gloves, snacks and plenty of water. Other suggested supplies: handy wipes, hand sanitizer, lip balm, trash bags, canopy and change of clothes and shoes. Dress comfortably and appropriately. Wear closed-toe shoes. You are in a different culture on a construction site. Do not bring anything you can't afford to lose.
- ✓ **Equipment:** Some tools are provided but to be sure you are involved please bring a hammer, utility knife, tape measure, pencil & gloves. The only power tool we use is a skill saw and that will be provided.
- ✓ **Fill the tank:** Please fill up before leaving the U.S.
- ✓ **Carpool:** Please carpool to keep the cars to a minimum so the caravan is manageable, and no one gets lost.
- ✓ **Safety:** Your safety is very important to us. The Lead Builder will review safety tips. Skill saws may only be used by approved volunteers.

Project Day Schedule

Meet at 6:00 AM: Meet in front of Von's @ Terra Nova Plaza parking lot in Chula Vista (360 E. H Street, Chula Vista, CA 91910). Take the 805 to H Street East exit, go right and the parking lot is on the right. Please be on time. We will not wait for anyone.

Review & Departure: 6:20 – 6:30AM: A brief meeting about the caravan procedures and driving instructions will take place, as well as a brief project and safety review. If you have expertise or special skills that might be relevant, please talk to the Trip Coordinator.

The Caravan to Mexico: The caravan will stay together and wait for any cars that are instructed to go through secondary inspection. A Corazón staff member will greet the caravan at a local gas station.

Arrival at Site 7:30AM: The Trip Coordinator and Lead Builder will give you over safety and building procedures.

Stick to the plan - For safety, timeliness, and consistency, all volunteers must follow instructions and procedures of the Lead Builder and Trip Coordinator. The house builds are a standardized process that must be followed to ensure the success of the build.

Lunch 12:00PM: A traditional Mexican lunch consisting of beans, rice, and cactus salad will be provided by the Corazon families. You will also have the opportunity to learn more about Corazón at this time.

Resume Work 1:00PM: Follow instructions of Trip Coordinator and Lead Builder to ensure successful completion.

Closing 4:30PM: The family will be presented the keys to their home at the closing ceremonies. This is a memorable experience for everyone involved.

Departure 5:00: You will receive instructions and a map at lunch time from your Trip Coordinator. The caravan will travel across the border to the U.S. Passports are required to cross the border.

Survey: Corazón values your opinion and would like to invite you to take our brief survey that will be emailed to you and should take no more than 15 minutes of your time. Please complete our survey to improve our services and future experiences.

Thank you!