

Merry Christmas

For Unto Us A Child Is Born, Unto Us A Son Is Given (Isaiah 9:6)



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Newsletter

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Merry Christmas from Rebuilding Hope

All of us at Rebuilding Hope wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May this Christmas season be filled with joy and excitement as we celebrate the birthday of our Lord and Savior.

Thanks to all our volunteers for their hard work this year and to all our supporters who help this ministry reach out in our communities.

At this most wonderful time in a year that has been most difficult, your support likely means more to those in need than it ever has.

“Rebuilding Homes, Lives and Hearts” is the mission to which God has called us. With humble hearts, we strive daily to be faithful to that calling.

Merry Christmas from all of us at RHI.



Randolph

Camper Needed

We would like to purchase at a reasonable price a 28- or 30-foot camper that can be refitted as a shower trailer.

When we are called to help in disaster recovery, this type of facility is often unavailable.

If you have a camper for sale or know where we can find one, please call.



Jeffrey Strickland (left) and Doc Ayscue demonstrate the use of the shingle lift. Volunteers will build 14 lifts for the next SOS week.

Winter Plans Will Keep RHI Volunteers Busy

Plans for the winter months will keep Rebuilding Hope volunteers busy. Even though the pandemic will keep us guessing about our 2021 schedule of events, we'll keep preparing to serve our communities.

Shingle Lifts

To make the workload a little lighter for our SOS (Servants on Site) participants, we'll build 14 shingle lifts. The lifts will take the loads of shingles off the shoulders of workers. The goal is to have a lift at every site where a roof is being replaced.

We found a model for the lifts online, and they're simple to build. Two 16-foot 2x4's, three 24-inch 2x4's, a plywood shelf, rollers, pulleys and a rope.

Second-floor Renovations

Completing the renovation of the second floor of our building at 414 Raleigh Road is another goal.

The renovation plan includes building showers and bathrooms and bunkrooms for men and women and furnishing a large gathering area with sofas and chairs.

(See Winter Plans on next page)



Pictured is the newly-furnished gathering area just off the bunkrooms and showers on the second floor of the RHI building at 414 Raleigh Road. Completion of renovations is expected this winter.

Winter Plans

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The bunkrooms can accommodate 21 volunteers.

Finishing up, we'll install egress windows in the bunkrooms, build outside stairs and install emergency and exit lights and smoke and carbon dioxide detectors.

RHI – Here to Help

To request help to build a wheelchair ramp or to make home repairs, visit our office where a volunteer will take your application. RHI does not take applications over the phone or make monetary awards.

Depending on the type of work requested, RHI may require evidence of ownership of property. A landlord's permission for a wheelchair ramp is required.



While services are provided at no cost, donations from applicants are appreciated.

Appliances Accepted

RHI accepts some used appliances that are in good working order. The appliances include washers and dryers, refrigerators and electric stoves. Appliances that require repairs cannot be accepted.



RHI does not have used furniture and cannot accept household goods or clothing.

Share Our Newsletter

If you know someone who would enjoy our newsletter, send the email address to us at info@rebuildinghopeinc.org

How to Bring a Group to RHI

RHI has a number of volunteer opportunities throughout the year and will work with you or your group (youth or adult) to not only meet the needs of homeowners, but also to meet the needs of your group in its effort to put its faith into action serving others. We provide job locations and hands-on experience and will arrange for one-day projects or projects for more than one day. Overnight accommodations can be arranged. E-mail us at rwilson@rebuildinghopeinc.org or call 252-438-5132 for more information or registration.



Equipment Available for Check-out

RHI has equipment – like the game trailer pictured below – that churches and groups may check out for use in their projects. Call the office at 252-438-5132 or Randolph's cell at 252-425-5593. Available equipment:



Game trailer – Outfitted with all kinds of games to use in outreach.

Mobile kitchen – Snow cone, cotton candy and popcorn machines.

2 tool trailers – Equipped with all tools needed to build a wheelchair ramp.

Green Thumb Wanted

Have a green thumb and want to put it to good use? RHI needs a volunteer, a group of volunteers or club to maintain shrubbery and flower beds. RHI will furnish all materials and equipment. Call us at 252-438-5132 or 252-425-5593.



Change of Mailing Address

We no longer receive mail at a post office box.

Please address all mail to:

**Rebuilding Hope
414 Raleigh Road
Henderson, N.C. 27536.**

Building Wheelchair Ramps: Answers to Your Questions

Churches, do you have groups like the one pictured below who can lend a hand and help us build wheelchair ramps? Your participation would help reduce a backlog of more than 30 requests – and help us all reach our communities for Christ.

Here are answers to some questions you might have:



What preparations are made before work begins? Before work begins, an RHI volunteer will visit the job site and assess the owner's physical and spiritual needs. The volunteer will take measurements and draw a plan. Job sites are different and custom plans are necessary.

What about materials and tools? RHI will gather the materials and deliver them to the job site and provide tools, as needed.

Are building permits required? RHI will obtain the required permits.

Who will supervise and be responsible for the work? An experienced RHI crew leader.

How long does building a ramp take? Depending on the ramp (e.g., straight ramp or ramp with a landing) and the number of crew members, it's a day to a day-and-a-half job.

Where are job sites located? In all the communities we serve, but every effort will be made to assign work in the vicinity of your church.

Can work be scheduled on Saturdays?
Yes.

For more information? Call 252-438-5132.

If you can help, we'll put you in touch with Bill Overby of Enterprise Baptist Church, our team leader in Warren County. Or Steve Timberlake of Oxford Baptist Church, our team leader in Granville County. Or, in Vance County, Steve Lyles of Raleigh Road Baptist Church, Vann Wester of New Bethel Baptist Church, or Cliff McClanahan of Central Baptist Church.

Areas Where You Can Serve at RHI



Painting Office Plumbing Electrical
AC/Heating Accounting
Carpentry/Framing & Finishing
Carpet/Vinyl Installation
Cleaning Computer Cooking
Drafting Drywall Doors
Welding/Sheet Metal
Evangelism Internet Organization
Ramps Reception Roofing
Siding Secretarial Telephone
Welding/Sheet Metal Windows Writing

RHI Speakers Bureau

The Rebuilding Hope Speakers Bureau is off go a good start in 2020.



RHI volunteers in January spoke to four churches and a group of pastors in Franklin, Warren and Vance counties.

If your church or organization would like to hear more about RHI and our mission in our communities, we can provide a speaker.

Call our office. We can coordinate a date and time for one of our volunteers to talk to you about our work and how you can participate.

AmazonSmile Purchases Benefit Rebuilding Hope

Your Amazon purchases can now benefit Rebuilding Hope.

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices and shopping features as Amazon.com.

The difference is that when you shop AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate a half-percent of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice.

Every item available for purchase on amazon.com is also available on AmazonSmile at the same price. Eligible products are marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages.

When you're shopping online at smile.amazon.com, Rebuilding Hope will benefit from a donation from the AmazonSmile Foundation – and you're helping us help our communities.

RHI's 2020 Calendar

Dates and events are subject to change.

December

- 24 – Christmas Eve
- 25 – Christmas Day
- 21-25 – RHI Closed
- 31 – New Year's Eve – RHI Closed

Weekly Men's Prayer Group

As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another.
Proverbs 27:17 (NIV)

You're invited to our weekly men's prayer group on Thursdays at 7 a.m. A light breakfast is served. A full breakfast is served on the first Thursday. Join us for prayer and Christian fellowship.

Appreciation

Thanks to all the churches, businesses and individuals who have supported and continue to support the Rebuilding Hope ministry. Without your support, meeting the needs of our communities would be impossible. Continue to pray for us as we reach our communities with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

RHI's 2021 Calendar

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January

- 1 – New Year's Day – Closed

February

- 1 – **SOS Early Bird Special** Deadline
SOS (Servants on Site) is our summer event. Local and out-of-town groups of youth who have completed 6th grade, along with their adult group leaders, are housed locally. Crews are formed and go out Monday-Friday to do hands-on ministry to a local homeowner. Breakfast, supper and worship are at Central Baptist Church. Local churches minister to the crews and provide on-site lunch Monday-Friday. With registration and a \$50 deposit by Feb. 1, the cost per participant is \$125.

March

- TBA – **DNow** Workday
- 28—Palm Sunday

April

- 2 – Good Friday – RHI Closed
- 4 – Easter Sunday
- 30 – **Spring Fundraiser**, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

May

- 1 – **SOS Registration Deadline**
Registration with deposit Feb. 1-May1 is \$150 per participant.
- 9 – Mother's Day
- 31 – Memorial Day – RHI Closed

June

- 20 – Father's Day
- 19-26 – **SOS 21**

July

- 5 – RHI closed for Independence Day

August

- 2-4 – **Kids' Construction Camp**, 9 a.m.-Noon
KCC gives 2nd-6th graders hands-on experiences with basic construction skills as they rotate through stations such as Hammer & Nails, Electrical & Plumbing, Block Laying and Building a Birdhouse. Call or email for more information or to sign up.

September

- 6 – Labor Day – RHI Closed
- 24 – **Fall Fundraiser**, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

October

No events scheduled.

November

- 11 – Veterans Day
- 22-26 – RHI Closed
- 25 – Thanksgiving Day

December

- 24 – Christmas Eve
- 25 – Christmas Day
- 20-24 – RHI Closed
- 31 – New Year's Eve – RHI Closed

