



Union Springs Academy (NY) Project



Information Packet

Dates: July 19 – July 28, 2019

Location: Union Springs, New York

(Arrive on July 19 and start work on July 21)

Maranatha Volunteers International is a nonprofit, Christian organization focused on providing churches, schools, and water wells around the world. A portion of the projects utilize volunteers on short-term mission trips to complete the work. Annually, we mobilize more than 2,000 volunteers to assist with various service opportunities and partner with thousands of donors to fundraise for international projects. Maranatha's mission is to spread the Gospel throughout the world as we build people through the construction of urgently-needed buildings.

In North America, Maranatha aids by recruiting and organizing volunteer labor for construction and renovation projects at schools, churches, and camps.

The Union Springs Academy project is one of our many efforts based in North America.

Project Overview

Union Springs Academy is located in Union Springs, New York. Union Springs Academy was founded in 1921. Over the years the campus has grown to include buildings for administration and classrooms, dormitories, church, faculty housing, farm, orchard and athletic facilities. For more than nine decades Union Springs Academy has provided quality Christian education to young people from New York, New England, Canada, and abroad.

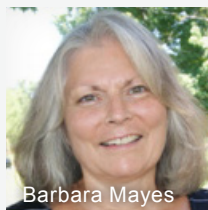
This year, Union Springs Academy is asking for Maranatha's help with renovations. This includes landscaping, painting, carpet removal, laminate floor installation for the boys and girls dorm rooms, plumbing, as well as install fire-rated doors in dorm rooms.

Leadership

Project Coordinator: Barbara Mayes

Construction Superintendent: Bill Boyd

Local Contact: Hilde Barrera, Principal



Barbara Mayes

Project Schedule

Friday, July 19
Arrival

Saturday, July 20
Sabbath

Sunday-Friday, July 21-26
Orientation and work day.

Saturday, July 27
Sabbath

Sunday, July 28
Departure

Accommodations

There is space for 75 volunteers on this project. Volunteers who have requested housing, arrangements will be made for you in the dormitories. Beds are provided, but please bring your own pillow, twin sheets, blankets, and towels to use during the project. There are also 25 RV sites with partial hookups available for those wishing to bring their RV. If housing is limited, priority will be given to volunteers who can participate the entire length of the project.

Expenses

The only costs to volunteers are the travel expenses to and from Union Springs Academy. Three vegetarian meals a day, accident insurance, and local housing are provided by Union Springs Academy in exchange for your volunteer labor.

Allergies and Dietary Restrictions

Maranatha provides three vegetarian meals each day. We ask for your allergies on your registration form, and we will do our best to accommodate your needs. However, we cannot meet all special requests. If your diet is restrictive (vegan, gluten-free, etc.) we recommend that you bring items such as soy milk powder, gluten-free bread, etc. to supplement the meals provided by the cooks.

About Union Springs, New York

Attractions

There are a few places you may want to visit while in the area.

Frontenac Park: A perfect spot for a nice walk. The park sits on Cayuga Lake. You can see birds, geese, and occasionally a heron.

Frontenac Historical Society & Museum: Free admission and some days there are scheduled events.

Great Gully Nature Preserve: Only three miles away. There are two large falls and two smaller cascades. The full ravine is about four miles long and up to 150 ft deep. There are a few defined trails along the creek. Best time to visit is during late spring, summer, and fall.

Please note, volunteers may choose to arrive early or leave a few days after the project concludes in order to appreciate local sights and activities. Volunteers are responsible for making their own arrangements, including food and lodging, for all days outside of the project dates.

Weather

Average temperatures in July range in the low 60's to low 80's Fahrenheit but plan for just about any type of weather. Rainstorms are fairly common in July, so pack rain gear and a warm jacket, just in case. Of course, current weather conditions can change at any time, so we recommend that you check the 10-day forecast before leaving to ensure that you are prepared for the most current weather conditions in Union Springs, New York.

Travel Information

Flights

Once you have registered and been confirmed, if you are flying to the project, please plan to arrive on July 19 and depart on July 28; the closest airport is Syracuse Hancock International (SYR), a 60 minute drive from Union Springs Academy. Please book flights that come in before 6 p.m. on the arrival date. If you need to fly in later, please check with the Maranatha office to confirm that your arrival time can be accommodated. Please send your itinerary to volunteer@maranatha.org so pick up arrangements can be made.

Project Address:

**Union Springs Academy
40 Springs Street
Union Springs, NY 13160**

AIG Insurance Coverage

Maranatha mission projects are construction projects where people can get hurt. It is not possible for Maranatha to analyze everyone's insurance policy to see whether his or her insurance is current and the coverage is in effect at the location of the project. The Maranatha Board of Directors decided that the safest route was to require everyone to be covered by the insurance coverage through Maranatha's carrier. For projects taking place in North America, the cost of this is covered by the hosting organization.

All volunteers will be covered by this insurance policy from the time they depart for the project until they return home. For volunteers who have extended travel by arriving before or staying after a project, the insurance would start and end on the Maranatha project dates based on the project application.

The policy that volunteers are covered on depend on location of project and home residency of the volunteer. Both policies are primary policies that do not have a deductible. As with all insurances, exclusions apply. An insurance brochure with the policy information and list of benefits will be sent to you in the confirmation email for this project.

Safety

Maranatha has a very high safety record on the worksite. This is, in part, because we require everyone on the construction site to wear a hard hat and gloves at all times. Please also wear appropriate safety equipment for the work tasks and wear sturdy shoes. Exercise caution while working on the construction site and be careful when working on or around ladders or scaffolding.

Thank you for putting safety first!

Registration

To register, please complete the online application at maranatha.org, or call to register over the phone. 75 volunteers can be accommodated on this project. Please wait for confirmation from Maranatha before making travel plans.

Contact Information

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Roseville, CA 95678

Skills And Packing List

Skills or experience in the following areas would be helpful.

- Painting
- Siding
- Plumbing
- Carpentry
- Landscaping

Items to Bring

Tool List

The following is a list of tools that will be helpful on this project. If you are able to bring any, it would be appreciated. Be sure to mark them with your name since many tools look alike. If you cannot bring some of the tools listed below, please remember to be considerate of those from whom you borrow.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Nail apron | <input type="checkbox"/> Roofing Hatchet | <input type="checkbox"/> Painting supplies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hammer (waffle-faced is best) | <input type="checkbox"/> Stapler (hammer tacker) | <input type="checkbox"/> Broom for cleanup |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tape measure | <input type="checkbox"/> Chalk Line | <input type="checkbox"/> Electric Cord |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Level | <input type="checkbox"/> Saws-all types | <input type="checkbox"/> Gloves |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Utility knife | <input type="checkbox"/> Skill saw | <input type="checkbox"/> Hard Hat* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carpenter pencil | <input type="checkbox"/> Handsaw | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small square | <input type="checkbox"/> Drill-small hand (3/8" or 1/4") | |

**Required*

General Packing List

This list is not comprehensive of all that you may choose to bring, but these are several of the items that have been most helpful to volunteers in the past.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Good disposition and flexible attitude | <input type="checkbox"/> Light Jacket |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Work pants and shirts | <input type="checkbox"/> Flip flops or sandals |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hard Hat and Gloves | <input type="checkbox"/> Dress clothes for Sabbath |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sunglasses or safety glasses | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal toiletries and sunblock |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Good, close-toed working shoes | <input type="checkbox"/> Water bottle |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hat | <input type="checkbox"/> Camera |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ID and personal insurance information | <input type="checkbox"/> Bible |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of this packet with Maranatha insurance information and project addresses | <input type="checkbox"/> Bedding: twin sheet, blanket, or sleeping bag |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Personal prescribed medication and any over the counter medication you use regularly | <input type="checkbox"/> Bedding: Air mattress, foam pad, cot |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Casual shirts, pants, and shorts | <input type="checkbox"/> Towel and washcloth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Underclothes | <input type="checkbox"/> Small pillow |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Small alarm clock |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Earplugs |

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2019 MARANATHA T-SHIRT \$10



The 2019 Maranatha shirt features a 50th anniversary logo on the sleeve, made with a poly/cotton heather blend by Bella + Canvas. Mens cut only; color is "heather deep teal."

HARD HAT \$13



This MSA V-Gard hard hat, with Staz-On suspension, ensures excellent shock absorption on the job site.

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*All confirmed volunteers on an International Maranatha Open Team receive a Maranatha t-shirt as part of their participation fee.



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All prices are excluding sales tax and shipping.

CAP \$12



All cotton and easy to pack, this cap is sure to keep the sun off your face on a mission project and at home. Available in Khaki and Navy.

WATER BOTTLE \$15



The autospout water bottle by Contigo features a one-touch-button spout for convenient one-handed drinking. It also has a spout shield to protect the spout from debris and dirt when not in use—perfect for the project site.

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