

# Black Hills Health and Education Center (SD) Project



## Information Packet

**Location:** Hermosa, South Dakota

**Dates:** August 10-24, 2020

(arrival date is Aug. 10 and departure date is Aug. 24)

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 renovations projects at schools, churches, and camps.

The Black Hills Health and Education Center project is one of our many efforts based in North America.

## Project Overview

The Black Hills Health & Education Center (BHHEC) is located in a lovely valley in southwestern South Dakota. Founded in 1979, BHHEC has played a part in improving and changing thousands of lives through the balance of physical, mental, and spiritual education. The Black Hills Health and Education Center is in the process of improving the campus facilities. They are currently needing new siding on Red Canyon Lodge. They also have other projects that require painting and roofing. Please consider supporting this project!

### Leadership

**Project Coordinator:** Sadie Torrez

**Construction Superintendent:** Roger Naranjo



Sadie Torrez

## Project Schedule

**Monday, Aug 10**  
Arrival and orientation

**Tuesday-Friday, Aug 11-14**  
Work days

**Saturday, Aug 15**  
Sabbath

**Sunday-Friday, Aug 16-21**  
Work days

**Saturday, Aug 22**  
Sabbath

**Sunday, Aug 23**  
Work day

**Monday, Aug 24**  
Departure

## Accommodations

There is space for 40 volunteers on this project. Volunteers who request housing will be staying in staff homes or the lodge. You will not need to bring your own bedding. There are also 5 RV sites with full 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 Hermosa, South Dakota. Three vegetarian meals a day, accident insurance, and local housing are provided by Black Hills Health and Education organization 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 Hermosa, South Dakota

## Attractions

Hermosa is located in the heart of the Black Hills and has several area attractions for those interested in history and natural beauty.

**Mount Rushmore** | Located about 35 minutes from Hermosa, Mount Rushmore National Memorial is a popular attraction for visitors to the Black Hills. This landmark features sculptures of George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt, and Abraham Lincoln in the granite face of the mountain.

**Badlands National Park** | Located just over an hour from Hermosa, this national park is known for its desolate landscapes with sharply eroded buttes, pinnacles, and spires.

**Custer State Park** | Custer State Park is just a 20-30 minute drive from Hermosa, and visitors can enjoy the park's beautiful landscapes and animals. The park is home to large herds of bison, deer, goats, and bighorn sheep.

## Weather

Average temperatures for Hermosa during August tends to be warm and dry, average temperatures range from in the high 50's to mid 80's Fahrenheit but plan for just about any type of weather. Rainstorms are fairly common, 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 Hermosa, South Dakota.

# Travel Information

## Flights

Once you have registered and been confirmed, if you are flying to the project, please plan to arrive on:

**Arrival** | Please plan to arrive on August 10, in Rapid City, South Dakota (airport code RAP).

**Departure** | Please plan to depart from Rapid City (RAP) on August 24.

This is a 30 minute drive from Black Hills Health and Education Center. Please book flights that come in before 6 p.m. on the arrival date. If you need to fly in later, or outside the project dates, please check with the Maranatha office to confirm that your arrival time can be accommodated.

If you will be leaving before the project end date, please be aware that you may be responsible for arranging

your own transportation back to the airport. Please send your itinerary to [volunteer@maranatha.org](mailto:volunteer@maranatha.org) so pick up arrangements can be made.

### Project Address:

Black Hills Health and Education Center  
13815 Battle Creek Rd  
Hermosa, SD 57744

### 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.

Insurance coverage depends on location of the 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](http://maranatha.org), or call to register over the phone. 40 volunteers can be accommodated on this project. Please wait for confirmation from Maranatha before making travel plans.

### Contact Information

**Phone:** (916) 774-7700

**Fax:** (916) 774-7701

**Email:** [volunteer@maranatha.org](mailto:volunteer@maranatha.org)

**Mail:**

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# Skills And Packing List

## Skills

Skills or experience in the following areas would be helpful.

- Roofing
- Painting
- Siding
- 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"/> Hardiplank sidings tools        | <input type="checkbox"/> Step ladder (6-8') |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hammer * (waffle-faced is best) | <input type="checkbox"/> Air hose                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Painting supplies  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tape measure*                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Stapler (hammer tacker)         | <input type="checkbox"/> Broom for cleanup  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Level                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Chalk line*                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Electric Cord      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Utility knife*                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Saws-all types                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Gloves             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carpenter pencil                | <input type="checkbox"/> Skill saw                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Hard Hat*          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small square*                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Handsaw                         |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Roofing Hatchet                 | <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"/> Bedding: twin sheet, blanket, or sleeping bag |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Work pants and shirts  | <input type="checkbox"/> Bedding: air mattress, foam pad, cot          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hard hat and gloves  | <input type="checkbox"/> Towel and washcloth                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sunglasses or safety glasses   | <input type="checkbox"/> Small pillow                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Good, close-toed working shoes   | <input type="checkbox"/> Small alarm clock                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hat  | <input type="checkbox"/> Earplugs                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ID and personal insurance information  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of this packet with Maranatha insurance information and project addresses     |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Personal prescribed medication and any over the counter medication you use regularly |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Casual shirts, pants, and shorts   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Underclothes   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Light jacket   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flip flops or sandals  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dress clothes for Sabbath  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Personal toiletries and sunblock   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water bottle   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Camera   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bible  |  |

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### 2020 MARANATHA T-SHIRT \$10



The 2020 Maranatha shirt is a poly/cotton heather blend by Bella + Canvas. Color is "heather true royal"; unisex sizing.

### HARD HAT \$13



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



TO ORDER, VISIT [MARANATHA.ORG/STORE](https://www.maranatha.org/store) OR CALL (916) 774-7700

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.

[MARANATHA.ORG](https://www.maranatha.org)

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

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