Why We Do What We Do

"If you ever wonder if the hard work your teams put in change people's lives, I can tell you that it does. We have never felt so blessed! Thank you all!" said Mary. Mary and her mother are from West Virginia and lost their home to flooding last June.

Pray for World Renew Around the World World Renew is working with the Training Program for the Organization of Diaconate in Haiti to serve farmers who have been deported from the Dominican Republic back to Haiti. The project helps existing farmers through training and grain storage services to encourage deportees to increase their knowledge of agriculture in Haiti. Please keep these farmers in prayer as they adjust to life in Haiti.



DISASTER RESPONSE SERVICES

OPPORTUNITY LINK March 2017

DRS Managed Reconstruction Sites

Individuals and couples, volunteer for one to three weeks.

All these sites will close for the summer, so let's finish strongly this spring. Thank you to everyone who has helped rebuild homes in these communities!

- <u>San Marcos, Texas (floods, '15)</u> April 8–April 29
- <u>Rio Grande Valley, Texas (floods, '15)</u> March 18—April 8
- <u>Calaveras County, Calif. (fires, '15)</u> March 18—April 8 (with your RV)
- <u>Century, Florida (tornadoes, '16)</u> Managers needed: April 8—29, April 29—May 20

Blue Skies & Disasters?

Are volunteers needed if there hasn't been a disaster in a while? Are donations needed when the weather is nice?

Yes! And Yes!

Why? Visit **worldrenew.net/drssunday** to watch the new DRS Sunday video, find out what is happening under blue skies, and how your church can minister to disaster survivors with World Renew DRS.

Group Mission Trips

Late spring: April thru mid-June is a great time for adult groups to make a difference. The needs are great and the workers are few.

Summer: What is your youth group, your family, or your company doing this summer that will be meaningful and memorable? Consider volunteering with us in a disaster-impacted community.

- Tampa, Florida (Hurr. Matthew, '16)
- Detroit, Michigan (flooding, '14 & '16)
- West Virginia (flood, '16)
- North Carolina (Hurr. Matthew, '16)
- Denham Springs, Louisiana (flood, '16)
- Yosemite area, California (fires, '13)
- Okanogan Co, Washington (fires, '14)
- Sumter, South Carolina—see below
- And more

Find details at **worldrenew.net/volunteer**.

Manning, South Carolina— Short-Term DRS Reconstruction Site

DRS has opened a short-term reconstruction site to help families rebuild after 2015 flooding and the more recent Hurricane Matthew.

January to April: This opportunity is primarily for week long mission trips and will have some DRS leadership on site. Individuals and couples looking for one to two week opportunities are also welcome. Accommodations will be 'group-style', and scheduling is flexible.

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