

### Why We Do What We Do

"For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago." Ephesians 2:10 (NLT)

### Pray for World Renew Around the World

Violence from the militant group Boko Haram in Nigeria has created loss, pain, and suffering for many families. High levels of malnutrition and food insecurity are among the major concerns for vulnerable families affected by the violence. World Renew and partners will provide funds and goats to 750 of the most vulnerable families in Maiduguri. Please pray for peace and plenty in Nigeria.

### DRS Managed Reconstruction Sites

*Individuals and couples, volunteer for one to three weeks.*

- San Marcos, Texas: closed permanently in April. Thank you to everyone for all your work here!
- Rio Grande Valley, Texas: closed for the summer but will open for a brief period in the fall to finish projects.
- Hammond, Louisiana: closed for summer, reopening in the fall.
- Tarboro, North Carolina: closed for summer, reopening in the fall.
- Puerto Rico: We continue to work with our partners to establish a plan for how we can help the rebuilding efforts. We hope to schedule future teams and dates later in the summer. Continue to watch the Opportunity Link for postings or call Diana in the office if you have questions.

Fall: Dates are not quite finalized. Please stay tuned! Our Regional Managers are working with communities to determine if we will set up a new site in response to Hurricane Harvey. Visit [worldrenew.net/reconstruction-sites](http://worldrenew.net/reconstruction-sites) to learn more about volunteering at these sites.

### Unmet Needs Assessments

There is an assessment in Galveston, Texas, and Jacksonville, Florida, this month. We have more requests coming in for which we are making plans. Dates will be sent out in the next Opportunity Link or through an email or phone call from Diana.

### Facilitated Sites

Currently, there are no facilitated sites at which to serve this summer.

### Group Mission Trips

We so appreciate the numerous groups that have served with us in recent months and those that are already scheduled for this summer. Due to the wonderful response of so many groups interested in serving with us, we are at capacity and unable to plan for more groups until August, and on into the fall and winter.

If you'd like to plan a trip in that time frame, or get general information about the DRS Groups Program, contact Pauline.

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**STAFF UPDATE**

### Art Opperwall is retiring!

After more than 12 years serving on the staff of World Renew DRS, Art Opperwall announced recently that he is retiring from his position as Program Manager. His last day will be June 29. Art is feeling called to be more involved in some other ministry opportunities, as well as hoping to travel and spend more time with family. If you know Art and would like to drop him a note, you can email him at [aopperwall@worldrenew.net](mailto:aopperwall@worldrenew.net).

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