

What is a typical work day like?

You need to arrive at the job site by 8:00 a.m. and clean up will take place by 5:00 p.m. You are expected to provide your own sack lunch unless other arrangements have been made with a local church to provide meal(s) and/or snacks. Each participant should bring individual water bottles. Additionally, please check with the team leader to make arrangements for water coolers to be on work site. Breaks are encouraged and will be taken on a regular basis.

How old do you have to be ?

Groups are comprised of youth who have completed 7th grade or are ages 12 and older, and adults. One adult must accompany every five youth (five girls with one female adult, five boys with one male adult).

What do we need to bring?

Water bottle, snacks and/or lunch if not provided. Sunscreen. Hat. Sunglasses and/or safety goggles. Work gloves. Appropriate dress code is jeans, t-shirts (NO cut-off sleeves), work boots (NO open toe shoes). Knee-length shorts are acceptable. You may bring your own tools, but tools necessary to complete the project will be provided.

Who does 3:12 Projects help?

Criteria for clients: The person or organization must complete an application indicating financial need and compliance for a safe work environment. Additionally the client needs to exhibit appreciation for the work completed as our 3R's work teams are giving of their time, talents and treasure. Clients in the past have included elderly, single mothers, those afflicted with illness, churches, and nonprofit organizations who cannot afford the repairs.



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3:12 Projects

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Frequently Asked Questions

What is a 3:12 Project?

A 3:12 Project is a one day work missions where we focus on the 3R's ([Reach](#) out in love, [Rebuild](#) homes and lives, [Restore](#) hope through relationships) stemming from 1 Thessalonians 3:12 *"And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all people"* The specifics of the 3:12 projects performed by the 3R's mission teams will be small repair projects for homeowners who reside in the Three Rivers District who cannot otherwise afford them.

Are 3R's Work Missions well supervised?

We ask that each group bring at least one capable person who can help them accomplish their building tasks. The Three Rivers District does provide construction advisors who will answer your questions and provide guidance. If anyone feels uncomfortable completing a task that is asked of them, they are not required to finish it. We want to make sure everyone stays safe and has a fun, meaningful, and memorable experience.

What safety precautions are taken?

It is our plan that everyone has a good experience. Furthermore, we want you to have a SAFE experience. It is important to realize persons can have accidents; *that is why we ask that everyone complete an emergency medical form.* A first aid kit is taken to each work site. We ask that no one take unnecessary risks, and while on a 3:12 Project participants need to follow the instruction of the advisors and group leaders. Appropriate clothes must be worn to the site, and breaks are encouraged. WE stress drinking plenty of water.

What about insurance?

We require that each participant have coverage through their family. We also require that each group have work camp accidental insurance through the [North Central Jurisdiction](#). Your participation fee covers this cost. Scholarships are available if necessary.

Do we provide our own transportation?

Yes. Three Rivers does not provide transportation to the work site. We will assist in coordinating car pools if requested. Also, it is helpful if at least one of your team members brings a pickup truck. No one under the age of 18 shall drive him/herself, or others, to/from a work site.

What if I'm not a United Methodist?

3R's Work Missions have an ecumenical focus. We welcome groups from different denominations. We have a program in place that allows groups to be themselves and both encourages and respects diversity. As committed Christians, you have the opportunity to make new friends and fellowship with others that will enrich your lives.

What type of work will we do for the clients?

Work groups tackle projects! Examples include siding, handicap accessible ramps, painting, decks, roofing, and cleaning.

How do I get started?

We have devoted team leaders who are willing to assist you! We'll be glad to discuss 3:12 Projects with your church or youth group. It is advised to take a Bridges Out of Poverty Training class prior to your first work project. Contact the district office for more information in working with the poor.

What should we expect from our 3:12 Project experience?

Remember that your group will make a difference. An integral part of a 3:12 Project is enriching relationships. Not only will you help with home repairs but you will be a part of rebuilding lives by restoring hope as you build relationships with your client(s).

How much does it cost and what does the fee cover?

There is a \$15 participation fee which covers your worksite accidental insurance. Any additional monies will be used towards gas and materials.