

## FAQs

### What work will we be doing?

Work at the homes we are helping to rebuild may include general home construction such as installing drywall, installing a roof, painting interior walls and trim, electrical work, plumbing, finishing trim work, installing closet doors, etc. There are also chores and jobs that need to be done at the base camp, such as cooking meals, assembling lunches, keeping things tidy, etc.

### Where will we stay?

We are scheduled to stay at a facility in Crisfield devoted to housing volunteers for rebuilding. We will be sleeping on bunk bed frames with air mattresses we bring ourselves with bedding we bring ourselves as well. Kitchen and showers will also be available.

### What about cost?

Flight is approximately \$500, ground transportation is about \$100, meals and lodging will be approximately \$200. However, most of it is raised through donations and fundraisers. Added personal costs may include extra-curricular activities, restaurants, excursions, etc. The \$200 deposit is the most anyone has had to pay for the last 7 years of District trips to the Gulf Coast, Indiana, and New York, though we'll always take additional donations from team members - all of it is tax deductible.

### What is available in Maryland?

Grocery stores are locally available. Wal-Mart, Lowe's, Home Depot, and other stores are about 20-30 minutes away from the camp. Most tools and building supplies will be available at the camp itself, but you are welcome to bring your own if you'd like.

### What about health issues?

It will be important that all of your immunization shots are up-to-date. We will take all the appropriate precautions to insure safety.

### What's the weather like?

Late September will most likely be a little cooler there than it is here. We will have recommendations on what to bring.

### Will we be working with others?

We'll probably be broken into sub-teams of approximately 6 or 7 so we can work on multiple projects and have room to work.

### Will this be my only opportunity to participate?

They expect another 2 or more years of recovery work in on Sandy Recovery along the east coast. Another South District Mission trip will be scheduled for mid-to-late 2015 to that area or another disaster recovery area.

## IMPORTANT DATES

We have 30 total spots available. Information meetings will be held in April/May. Please email or call Jennifer Demaree (info at bottom of the page) for more information,

We currently have a fair amount of interest for this trip. Registration will be on a first-come, first-serve basis so please get your forms in or register online soon if you want to go. We would like to have all registrations in by June 15th for this September 2014 trip, though the team may fill up earlier than that. We will start by limiting each church to 5 participants and then add as needed. The goal is to have as many churches as possible represented on our team.

## SUGGESTED PACKING AND PREPARATION

Make sure that you have updated all of your shots, and have current identification for travel. Every person will need a single layer air mattress to sleep on, but we may be able to provide them as well. We will provide packing lists closer to the date.

## ABOUT THE COMMITMENT

As you consider the possibility of participating in this experience, seriously consider: why you feel called to this ministry opportunity, whether you can commit yourself to the planning and the trip, and how you see yourself participating as a member of a team. If you have questions or concerns please, don't hesitate to call or e-mail the team leader.

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**MARYLAND  
SANDY RECOVERY  
MISSION TEAM  
2014**

***For United Methodists and friends,  
called into mission to a devastated  
community.***

***A time to grow spiritually, a time to  
grow as a community and a time to  
serve those in need.***



**Crisfield, Maryland  
September 20-27, 2014**

## A COMMUNITY SERVING COMMUNITY

Our team of volunteers will arrive just one month before the 2nd anniversary of Hurricane Sandy's landfall in the Northeastern United States. Hurricane Sandy was the deadliest and most destructive tropical cyclone of the 2012 Atlantic hurricane season, as well as the second-costliest hurricane in United States history. While it was a Category 2 storm off the coast of the Northeastern United States, the storm became the largest Atlantic hurricane on record. Crisfield, Maryland, a small community on the eastern shore of the Chesapeake Bay, was hit hard by the storm surge and had over 700 homes damaged.

As Christians, we are called to rebuild communities in need of healing: physically, emotionally and spiritually. We are called to prayer, support, donations and physical work. United Methodists have been responding.



During the storm surge

From September 20-27, 2014, a team of up to 30 members from churches in our area and friends will travel to Crisfield, MD, to offer our support. We will be working with the Delaware Peninsula's Annual Conference's disaster recovery services to help families who cannot afford to repair or rebuild their homes on their own. Teams from all over the country have gone to this area to help with cleaning up. Come this fall, they will be starting their 2nd year of the rebuilding phase.

### THE PLAN

The months and days before departure on Saturday, September 20, 2014, will be spent organizing, team building, and fundraising. It is important that all participants called to serve in this special experience commit fully to all of the planning meetings, and fundraising prior to the trip, as well as the entire duration of the trip.

We plan to fly from San Diego to the Baltimore area where we will pick up rental vans and make our way to Crisfield. We will be staying in Crisfield and working in the general area.

Each work day will begin at approximately 8:00 AM and conclude at approximately 5:30 PM. We will be preparing our own meals, and enjoying restaurant meals on occasion (we will be responsible for preparing our own meals throughout our time there and shopping for all food on our own).

On September 27, 2014, we will leave Crisfield and drive back to the airport and fly back to San Diego that same day.



Storm Surge in Crisfield from Superstorm Sandy

### THE COST

The expenses will be approximately \$900 per participant. This covers plane tickets, rental vehicles, food, and lodging. Team members will be asked to bring their own spending money for souvenirs and restaurants. Each team member is required to make a tax deductible donation of \$200, but scholarships are available. We plan to raise the remainder of the funds through fundraising at the local churches. Previous mission team participants are willing to present at local churches for fundraising purposes. Other events will be planned as needed.

## Work Team Commitment Form

Register by filling out and mailing in form below or online at [www.fumcsd.org/SandyMission/](http://www.fumcsd.org/SandyMission/)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Deposit (if scholarship needed please contact Jennifer)	\$200.00	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Money to be fund raised by September 15th. Previous trip participants have not had to pay this.	\$600.00+	

Subtotal: \_\_\_\_\_

Total: \_\_\_\_\_

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Return this portion of the brochure with a deposit of \$200 directly to First UMC San Diego by mail (see address below) or turning in to the church office.

Make check payable to First UMC.  
Write in memo Maryland Team 2014.

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