



## **Relief and Recovery Service Trip to New Orleans**

**Sponsored by: Gulf Coast Volunteers for the Long Haul**

**Our Mission: *Helping people in the Gulf Coast region rebuild their homes, their neighborhoods, their communities and their lives for as long as it takes.***

### **You Are (Still) Needed:**

Even after almost three years, the residents of the Gulf Coast are struggling to rebuild their homes and communities. If anything, people seem more exhausted and discouraged each time we go. Volunteers are providing the lion's share of help and are deeply appreciated. So join us to work in elementary schools (tutoring, setting up libraries, painting, gardening and art projects), rebuilding houses and churches - plus there's still some gutting to be done. We may also work a day or two in bayou country.

**MAY 2008:** *college students and adults:* TWO OPTIONS - Please choose which day you would like to arrive; pick Plan A or Plan B, and let us know.

#### **Plan A- Friday, May 16 to Friday, May 23**

Come early and work on a KaBoom playground for our friends at the Sarah T. Reed Elementary School in a one-day build on Saturday, May 17.

#### **Plan B- Monday, May 19 to Saturday, May 24**

If you can't come on May 16, you can arrive instead on Monday, May 19.

**Trip Costs:** Everyone pays for their own airfare. Long Haul provides housing, meals and on-the-ground transportation. We request a \$100 contribution to offset these expenses, unless you are a college or grad student, in which case the trip fee is waived. Everyone is asked to bring \$40 for a dinner/event New Orleans-style!

### **Upcoming 2008 Trips:**

August 24 to August 30 (college students and adults)

October 12 to October 18 (Columbus Day week)

December 7 to December 13

### **Who We Are:**

Gulf Coast Volunteers for the Long Haul is an all volunteer, non-profit, tax exempt organization with a small budget. To date we have sponsored ten week-long service trips in New Orleans, southern Louisiana in bayou country, and Mississippi. Our volunteers have ranged in age from 15 to 84, and we have a special commitment to taking young people on our relief trips.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO SIGN UP:** Contact Janet Parsons, Trip Coordinator at [janetdp@gmail.com](mailto:janetdp@gmail.com) or at (781)721-9010. Space is limited!

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