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Appalachia Service Project hosts volunteer interest meeting for new Tri-Cities Home Repair Program.

JOHNSON CITY, Tenn. (February 15, 2019)—Appalachia Service Project (ASP) launched their year-round home repair program in the Tri-Cities area this January to increase local presence where they are headquartered through funding from the Tennessee Housing Development Agency.

The Tri-Cities Program will serve Carter, Hawkins, Sullivan, Washington and Unicoi Counties out of ASP's headquarters on Bristol Highway in Johnson City, Tennessee. ASP is more than a building program, it's a relationship ministry. Volunteers forge friendships that impact them for the rest of their lives and learn lessons that enrich their faith and build character. This local program gives volunteers the opportunity to make a difference in their home community as well as surrounding communities.

ASP is looking for local volunteers to engage with this program. Everyone is welcome to serve regardless of experience including youth 14 years of age or older. Volunteers skilled in construction are specifically needed to help lead volunteers on site and/or work on more challenging projects. Specific questions about volunteer requirements and registrations should be directed to the ASP Volunteer Department at Local@ASPhome.org.

For those interested in volunteering, there will be an information meeting on Thursday, March 21st at 12:00pm and 6:00 pm at the Silver Angels Conference Room at 1500 W. Elk Ave, Ste. 109, Elizabethton, TN 37643 for those wishing to learn more. Lunch will be served at the 12:00pm meeting, and light snacks at the 6:00pm meeting.

Tri-Cities Home Repair Coordinator, Zack Schoettes, stated earlier this month, "We are extremely excited to bring year-round home repair services to the Tri-Cities. We can't wait to have local volunteers come serve alongside of us in our community. We also want to extend our deep gratitude to the Tennessee Housing Development Agency for largely funding this new program."

If you or someone you know is in need of home repair services, applications can be found online at www.ASPhome.org/Apply. Questions can be directed to our Tri-Cities Repair office at (423)-854-4428. Typical repairs completed include roofs, floors, walls, foundations, accessibility, insulation, and more.

ASP has been building new homes in the area since the Dry Creek floods of 2012 and has often had a summer home repair program in Washington and Sullivan counties, but this new program will provide a year-round presence for home repairs in the area.

Appalachia Service Project strives to eradicate substandard housing in Central Appalachia through home repair and replacement. Each year the home repair program brings over 15,000 volunteers from around the country to complete repairs across 26 communities in 5 states—Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia. Appalachia Service Project has been working in the Tri-Cities area consistently since 2012 when they built new homes in response to the flooding in the Dry Creek community of Washington County, Tennessee.

INTEREST MEETING DETAILS

Thursday, March 21, 2019
12:00 & 6:00 PM
Silver Angels Conference Room
1500 W. Elk Ave, Ste. 109
Elizabethton, TN 37643

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ABOUT APPALACHIA SERVICE PROJECT

Appalachia Service Project (ASP), is a Christian ministry, open to all people, that inspires hope and service through volunteer home repair and replacement in Central Appalachia. Since 1969, ASP volunteers have been making homes warmer, safer and drier for families in need in Central Appalachia and providing life-transforming experiences for everyone involved. In recent years ASP has expanded its outreach to include building new homes for low-income families whose homes were destroyed by fire or flooding and others whose homes are beyond repair. This year ASP will have more than 16,000 volunteers working in five Central Appalachia states helping nearly 600 families with home repairs and new construction.

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