

**Pittsburgh Habitat for Humanity
Committee Job Description**

Family Nurture Committee Volunteer

Position: Member of the Family Nurture Committee

Accountable to: Chairperson of the Family Nurture Committee

Description:

The Family Nurture Committee is crucial to Habitat's ministry. This committee should be able to recognize problems that sometimes occur with low-income families such as lack of education, improper nutrition, health care, debts, low self-esteem and frustration and be able to give the family support and resources to turn to. These members should have the ability to work with people and to be sensitive to their needs without being patronizing.

Expected Commitment:

A minimum of one year is required. Volunteers are assigned to families depending on the affiliates need.

Responsibilities:

1. Attend monthly committee meetings.
2. Become aware of Pittsburgh Habitat.
3. Must make home visits if necessary.
4. Make resources, such as, telephone numbers, churches, contact names, books, and classes available to the families when needed.
5. Be kind and understanding.

Outcomes/Goals:

The basic goal of the Family Nurture Committee is to help families break the poverty cycle and become independent. The committee seeks to welcome new families into the Habitat family and to provide them with a mutual support system.

Training and Support Plan:

The Family Nurture Chair will provide the primary training to fulfill this role. Further education will come from attending the monthly meetings.

Qualifications:

Family Nurture volunteers should expect and enjoy interaction with Pittsburgh Habitat Family Partners and potential family partners. They should be sensitive to the issues that affect low-income families and be able to provide resources for such issues.