



AT-A-GLANCE



10.5 months of hands-on training



\$5,775 living allowance

TRAINING TOPICS

- Blueprint Reading
- Carpentry
- Deconstruction
- Drywall
- Flooring
- Framing
- Painting
- First Aid & CPR
- OSHA Safety Standards

SUPPORT SERVICES

- Case Management
- Financial Coaching
- Tax Preparation
- Transportation assistance

About Habitat Chesapeake

Over the past 35 years, Habitat for Humanity of the Chesapeake has built or renovated 738 homes throughout Central Maryland, providing 2,500+ children and families with safety, stability and a brighter future. In 2016 alone, Habitat Chesapeake worked on 24 homes, helping 16 hardworking families become homeowners.

About HabiCorps

HabiCorps prepares people facing significant barriers to employment for full-time jobs in the construction trades. HabiCorps trainees are recruited from programs that provide a basic introduction to construction and reinforce soft skills, like resume writing, dress code and the value of punctuality and attendance. All HabiCorps graduates receive job placement assistance following the program.

How It Works

Recruitment

HabiCorps team members are recruited from feeder programs, like Job Opportunities Task Force's (JOTF) Project JumpStart, which introduces participants to construction trades and fosters overall job readiness. Approximately 25% of JOTF graduates need more training and time to address challenges like inexperience or lack of transportation before they can be successfully placed in the construction field. HabiCorps bridges the gap, ensuring that no one is left behind on the road to workforce readiness.



Training

HabiCorps trainees work in small teams alongside experienced instructors, rehabbing and building homes for low-income families. The projects vary greatly, from new construction to complete renovation of existing buildings. As a result, HabiCorps trainees experience everything from framing to fine carpentry. Along with real-world construction experience, HabiCorps team members receive financial literacy coaching, case management services and free tax preparation from Habitat and our partners.

Job Placement

Through partnerships with feeder programs like the Job Opportunities Task Force's Project JumpStart, in concert with Associated Builders & Contractors, all HabiCorps graduates are placed with local contractors following their service.



"It's hard to get work out there and at HabiCorps I've learned alot of skills - like flooring, framing and more. If you're looking for opportunity, do it. HabiCorps is the place." -Eugene, HabiCorps trainee



Get Involved!

There are lots of ways to show your support for HabiCorps.

Give Financially

Financial donations support operating costs and an emergency fund for trainees, providing financial assistance to trainees experiencing extreme hardship.

Give In-Kind

Construction materials, tools and interview-ready clothing are welcome. Gifts of event tickets, team building experiences and gym memberships can be used as incentives for especially dedicated trainees.

Give Time

We need volunteers skilled in:

- Interview preparation
- Resume writing
- Specialized construction trades



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