

Summer Mission Trips

Home repair mission trips that combine direct service with regional education, cultural immersion, and transformational experiences and are designed for youth, but also accept college students and adult volunteers.

Types of Projects

ASP projects cover a wide range of construction skill sets, so we can find something for your group regardless of experience. We'll pair your crew with a project that fits your needs and comfort level.

- **Roofing** – Replacing and repairing roofs can lead to significant improvements, mitigating damage caused by leaks.
- **Drywall** – Drywall projects can be ceiling repair, wall repair, or part of a room addition.
- **Siding** – Repairing existing siding or installing new siding weatherizes a home from the elements, making it more efficient and reducing utility costs for homeowners.
- **Floors and Foundations** – Ensuring floors are sturdy makes homes safer, giving families the ability to make better use of their space.
- **Porches and Ramps** – Building and restoring porches and ramps make homes accessible for residents for both daily and emergency use.



Trip Locations

Each summer, ASP serves 20-30 communities across Central Appalachia. ASP typically leases schools, churches, or community centers to serve as summer centers. Groups are asked to share preference on state location or maximum drive time during registration. Exact locations are assigned based on group preference and ASP need.

- **Kentucky** – ASP works in communities in eastern Kentucky
- **North Carolina** – ASP serves in Western North Carolina, but not every summer
- **Tennessee** – ASP works in northeastern communities of the Volunteer State. ASP headquarters is also located in Johnson City, TN
- **Virginia** – ASP works in southwest Virginia. ASP owns a year-round volunteer hosting facility in Jonesville, VA
- **West Virginia** – ASP works in central and southern West Virginia

Summer center assignments are finalized and communicated by mid-April.

Participant Requirements

- Work crews are made up of 5-7 individuals (all youth work crews must include at least two adult leaders)
- All volunteers must have completed grade 7 and are at least 13 years old (ASP is an incredibly challenging week full of physical, social, and emotional demands)
- All adults (19+) have a completed background check
- Each work crew requires a vehicle at their work site (two vehicles per site are preferable)
- ASP believes that each person is a child of God, imbued with dignity and worth. All are welcome to respectfully and peacefully participate with ASP, regardless of race, color, religion, gender, age, national origin, disability, marital status, sexual orientation, or military status.

Mission Trip Dates - TBD - targeting 21-27 June 2026

ASP's Summer Program offers volunteer opportunities from the beginning of June through the end of August. Groups arrive Sunday afternoon, work Monday through Friday, and depart Saturday morning.

Participant Cost

\$375/volunteer/week

Mission fees include:

- Lodging
- Hot breakfast & dinner
- Supplies to pack lunches for worksites
- Building materials
- Staff oversight and guidance
- Regional education
- Faith-based programming
- Life-transforming experience!

Mission Meetings, Fees, & Fundraisers

There will be a variety of mission meetings, skill builder workshops, and fundraisers throughout the fall, winter, and spring in preparation for the ASP mission trip in June. You are committed to attending these events not only to become more knowledgeable and prepared for the trip, but also to build community with those you will be traveling and serving with.

The ASP participant cost for adult and youth volunteers is \$375. This amount is exclusive to transportation costs (vehicle rental, gas, insurance), first aid kits, snacks, and other miscellaneous items (i.e., ice cream trips during mission week) that will need to be covered through our fundraising efforts.