

## BUILDING BLITZ 2011

### TRAVEL FACT SHEET

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#### FLIGHTS

All flights are booked on a group basis nine months before departure. The vast majority will fly out of Dublin. There are a limited number of flights leaving from other airports in Ireland. We try as much as possible to accommodate those volunteers living near these airports.

As there are no direct flights to Cape Town, flights will connect through an International airport. The flight time is approx 12 hours + with some of these being overnight flights.

You will be given exact flight and hotel details closer to your departure. All flight tickets, luggage labels and names badges will be posted 14 working days before you depart. It is your responsibility to bring these with you. No changes are allowed as bookings are made on a group basis.

#### ACCOMMODATION

We use good quality accommodation in Cape Town and it is based on twin room sharing. If you wish to share with a particular person please let us know as early as possible. Room share cannot be changed 1 month prior to departure. Single rooms are limited please contact our team for details, single rooms have a supplement which must be paid by a personal cheque.

There will be a help desk and shop in the hotel on each day of the Building Blitz.

#### BEFORE YOU DEPART: Please provide us with...

##### PASSPORT DETAILS

Please provide 2 copies of the information page of your passport.

**Note:** The charity is not responsible if your passport is out of date at the time of travel.

##### NAME BADGE DETAILS

If you would like your name badge to have a different name than your passport, such as Pat instead of Patrick, Jo instead of Joanne etc. Please contact the office with any changes.

##### TWO NEXT OF KIN DETAILS

The name of two people who will be your next of kin while you are away, mobile number, address and their relationship to you. They should be aware you are abroad and not with you on the trip. It is your responsibility to inform the charity if these person's details change from the time of completing your application form to the time of travel.

##### TRAVEL PARTNER

If you are travelling with a partner or in a group please let us know at least 4 months before the trip and we will try and accommodate you as much as possible.

##### TEAM REQUEST

If you would like to be on a specific team, with a certain Foreman or be on the same team as your friend, please let us know at least 4 months before the trip and we will try and accommodate you as much as possible.

##### DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

If you have any medical dietary requirements such as celiac or if you are a vegetarian, please let us know as we pre book all lunches in advance.

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#### **BRIEFING MEETING**

In order to fully prepare you for your trip to South Africa, there will be a pre-departure Briefing Meetings around the country approximately 1-2 months before the Building Blitz. These meetings are a great opportunity to meet the other volunteers that you will be working with in Cape Town and to ask any questions you may have. These briefing meetings are compulsory as they are an orientation meeting before you travel.