



New Homes, New Beginning - FAQ

Why is a PASSPORT required if I have Sentri or Global Entry?

The Mexican government ONLY recognizes a Passport Book or Passport Card and not the Sentri or Global Entry Cards. The US government requires that each traveler have their passport BOOK or CARD in addition to Sentri or Global Entry card.

Do I need to have construction skills to participate?

No, the construction process has been designed to allow participation by anyone. A Lead Builder will provide the necessary instruction and technique. General construction tasks on the build day will include framing, roof construction, painting, and installation of household amenities such as windows and doors.

Can children participate in a house build?

Yes, **children 12 years and older can participate**. It is up to the parents to decide if they are comfortable bringing their children onto the build site. Parents are solely responsible for their children's safety.

Is it safe to travel to Mexico?

The community we will be building in is far away from the danger reported on the news and the people of the community keep a close watch over our personal safety. However, there are no guarantees, so please do not bring valuables and be sure to secure your passport card. *A good rule of thumb is to not bring anything you can't afford to lose.*

The team will travel together by bus from the US to the build site and back.

Do I have to bring my own tools?

If you own a hammer & tool belt or nail apron please bring them. Other suggested tools include: utility knife, tape measure, pencil, speed square, cat's paw, safety/sunglasses, earplugs and work gloves. We will have some hand, power & pneumatic tools on site. **IRT will provide hammers and nail aprons for those who do not own their own.**

How do I sign up?

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