

# Encounter Freeport 2022 INFORMATION PACKET

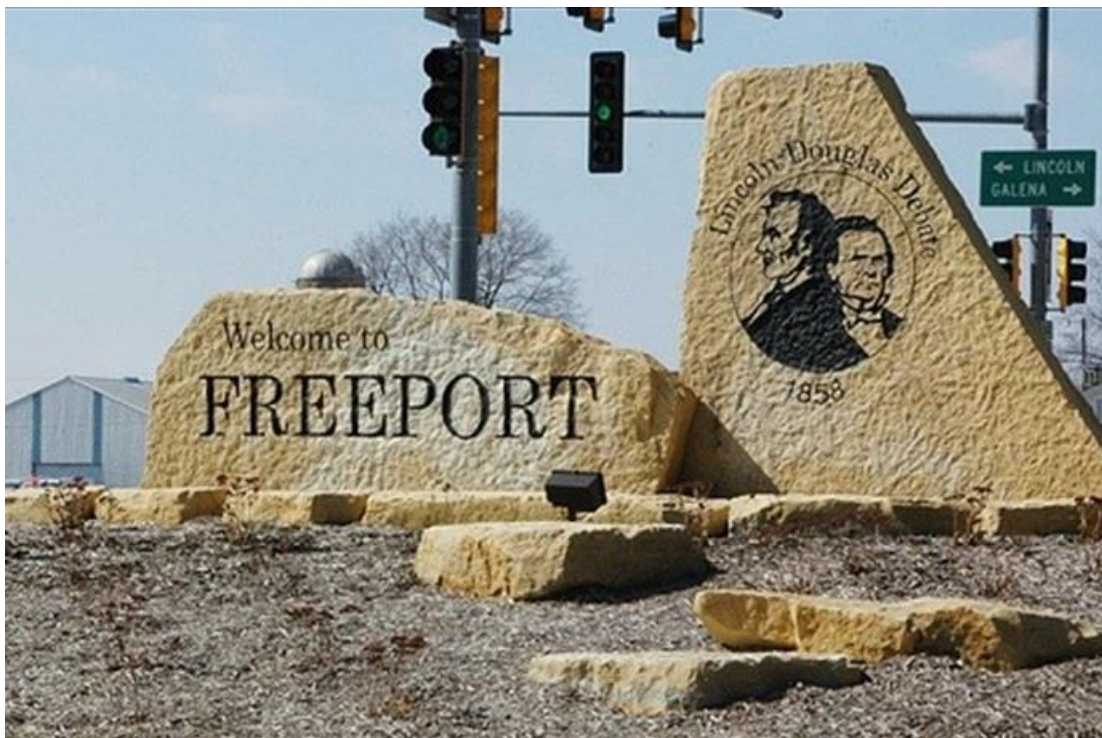


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# General Information

Our Encounter Trips are back! Join us this summer for a mission experience right here in Freeport. With multiple churches from the Detroit area joining us, we'll pack a week full of love for our community. Our work will include manual labor for members of our community, service to our city and local organizations, as well as prayer, praise, worship, and sharing of our faith. We hope that you will take away some practical skills so you can continue serving your home town outside of the "mission trip" setting.

**Trip Dates:** July 7<sup>th</sup>, 6.00pm-July 12<sup>th</sup>, 1.00pm

**Trip Cost:** \$50

**This cost includes:** Lodging, food, transportation, project costs, and team T-Shirt

## Accommodations

We will have about a 4:1 student-to-adult ratio as always and will be looking to help you mold your student into the young person of God He has made them to be. We are staying at Park Hills Church. Girls and guys will each have separate sleeping rooms on different floors of the building. We'll be sleeping on floors, so bring an air mattress, cot, or something similar. Showers will be in the evening off-site.

# **Travel**

Please understand that after the progression of your student's spiritual walk, her/his safety is our number one concern. We carefully plan our trips to reduce risk of injury for each person involved. This trip will include transportation around the Freeport area. We will be taking every precaution to ensure that the vehicles we will take will be roadworthy. Our drivers will have the proper licenses and proper training to travel with your students in the vehicles we will take.

## **Sample Daily Schedule**

- Wake up
- Breakfast & Devo
- Morning Service Projects
- Lunch
- Afternoon Service Projects
- Dinner @ PHC
- Group Meeting Time
- Rest/Down Time
- Lights out

# **Expectations**

**We Encounter Freeport is a unique opportunity to serve our own community. Typically, we go far away for service weeks and that can make us think that the only place to serve others is outside our own backyard. But that's not the case! We can serve our own neighbors with all our hearts, minds, souls, and strength.**

**In order to make this a successful week, we're asking for a commitment for all our participants. If we are going to meet our trip goals of Give and Receive, as well as build relationships with one another, everyone needs to be all-in for this project. Therefore, anyone participating must commit to participation with every project during the week. If you cannot be fully committed to the trip, we will have our project open to everyone.**

**Here's what we expect participants to commit to:**

- I will participate in every aspect of the trip, including projects, meals, and lodging**
- I will not leave a project area without a leader's permission**
- I will not allow myself to be distracted from projects by other friends**
- I will respect the decisions made by leaders**

# Encounter Packing List

- Bible and pen
- Bedding
  - We're on the floor, so bring an air mattress, cot, or sleeping bag
  - pillow
- Toiletries
  - Toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, deodorant
  - Medication (let Alex know what you're bringing)
  - Towel, washcloth
  - shower caddy (showers are off-site)
- Clothes for 6 days
  - Bring clothes that can get paint/dirty
  - During all work projects, we'll require all shirts to have sleeves (no tank tops), and cover the stomach, and shorts that rise no higher than an inch above the knee
  - Sturdy work shoes
  - 1 pair work gloves
  - Swimsuit (if you want to wear it under your clothes during car wash)
- Sun stuff
  - Sunscreen, sunglasses, water bottle
- Good attitude and desire to learn

As much as you may want to bring your iPod, tablets, etc., we want you to leave them at home to let God have all your attention for a few days.