



Habitat for Humanity
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Mongolia



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Dear Volunteer,

Welcome to the Land Of the Blue Sky and the Blue Sky Build in Ulaanbaatar city in Mongolia.

Thank you for choosing and making a decision to come and participate in this exciting and incredible five days blitz build event. This event has been planned to also commemorate the 10th year anniversary of Habitat presence in Mongolia.

The Blue Sky Build is a kick off event for a long term project that commits itself to enabling a thousand families to live in decent shelter and reducing poverty housing in Mongolia in the next three years.

Thank you for joining the life changing mission of Habitat for Humanity to promote the Vision- A World where everyone has a decent place to live.

Thank you for your time, talents and resources that will go a long way in transforming the lives of many families and communities in Mongolia.

As much as we have enjoyed putting this event together, we hope that you will enjoy and reap the benefits from this build. All the needy families that will be blessed with a house, I do earnestly believe that you in turn will also receive many blessings.

Habitat goes beyond just building a house, it provides the settings for a Home and a secure future, and a place where the family thinks and grows up to a shape a better and brighter future for themselves and the communities they live in.

Have fun and work safe.

Yours sincerely,

Arthur Charles Jolliffe
Country Director
Habitat for Humanity Mongolia





Welcome From Habitat for Humanity in Mongolia
Sain baino!

A warm welcome to Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia is the country once originated the largest land empire in World history ever.

We promise the start of an exciting week as hundreds of volunteers arrive in the capital city Ulaanbaatar to build for Blue Sky 2010 Project to share a hope.

The Blue Sky Build also marks the launch of ten-year Habitat campaign that aims to serve thousands of families across the country of Mongolia.

From June 28 to July 2nd, 2010, Habitat for Humanity will build 30 houses in one week in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia.

Experience the joy of giving and receiving as you work together with families in need to build decent homes for brighter future.

Enjoy this exciting and fulfilling week and experience our culture and the famous hospitality people of Mongolia.

Mr. Tsedenish Sarangerel
Board Secretary





Habitat for Humanity Mongolia is bringing together corporations, individuals and partner organizations to build homes with local families in need. In summer 2010, hundreds of volunteers from all over the world will join together to shine a light on the scourge of substandard housing and demonstrate what can be accomplished when families, communities and nations come together to build a future where every man, woman and child has a decent place to live.

From the 28th June to 2nd July, 2010, volunteers will join families to build 30 houses in Ulaanbaatar, the capital of Mongolia. The Blue Sky Build 2010 will also celebrate ten years of Habitat building in Mongolia, a decade that has seen more than 1,300 families enjoyed transformed lives thanks to their new safe, affordable Habitat homes. The Blue Sky Build 2010 will set the scene for the launch of the second decade with an ambitious campaign to significantly increase Habitat's reach. The new goal is to engage volunteers and donors to support the building of 1,000 more homes in just three years, by 2012





Habitat for Humanity International

Habitat for Humanity International is a nonprofit, ecumenical Christian housing ministry dedicated to eliminating substandard housing and making decent shelter a matter of conscience and action. Since its founding in 1976, Habitat for Humanity International has built and rehabilitated more than 300,000 houses with families in need, becoming a true world leader in addressing the issues of poverty housing. More than 1.5 million people have decent homes thanks to Habitat programs. For more information, visit www.habitat.org

Habitat for Humanity in Mongolia

Habitat for Humanity Mongolia was established in 1999 to address the need for decent and affordable housing. It has affiliates in Ulaanbaatar, Darkhan, Erdenet and Khangai. Habitat families enroll in housing microfinance schemes to save for their homes and also contribute “sweat equity”, helping to build their own houses. A typical 36 sq. m. Habitat home is constructed with bricks or concrete blocks, wood, concrete roof sheeting and plenty of Styrofoam for insulation against the harsh winter. Toilets are built separately.

Because of the weather, building is only possible from May to October each year. But during those months Mongolia is a popular destination for Habitat volunteer builders. Each year, HFH Mongolia hosts teams from Europe, Asia and North America.





Mongolia

This enchanting country has a great ancient history of more than 5000 years with a rich cultural heritage. The history of Mongolia is dominated by the mythical stature of Genghis Khan (Chinggis Khan for the Mongols) who was the head of these hordes of wondering tribes reunified under its banner. At the XIII century the vastest empire which the world ever knew, cutting through Pacific Ocean to the heart of Europe Mongolia has left a big mark on the pages of the history.

Now flanked by giant neighbours Russia and China, Mongolia is a vast country with wide open steppes, desert lands and snow-capped mountains. Known the

Land of the Blue Sky, this is the country with rich traditions and a cultural legacy going back to Genghis Khan and beyond.

Ulaanbaatar is the capital city of Mongolia. Approximately 94 percent of the population are ethnically Mongols, 5 percent Turkic (mostly Kazakh), 0.1 percent are others mostly Russians and Chinese. The official language is Mongolian.



Overview of Ulaanbaatar

Ulaanbaatar, is the capital and the largest city of Mongolia. The city is an independent municipality not part of any province. Located in the north central part of the country, the city lies at an elevation of about 1,310 metres (4,300 ft) in a valley on the Tuul River, in a valley at the foot of the mountain Bogd Khaan Uul. It is the cultural, industrial, and financial heart of the country. It is also the center of Mongolia's road network, and connected by rail to the Trans-Siberian Railway and the Chinese railway network.



The city was founded in 1639 as an initially nomadic Buddhist monastic center. In 1778 it settled permanently at its present location, the junction of the Tuul and Selbe rivers. The population of the city has grown of nearly over 1 million people-more than half of the total population of Mongolia.

Climate

Mongolia has a four distinct seasons with winter being very cold and summer nice and warm. Ulaanbaatar is located at about 1350 meters (4430 ft). Due to high elevation, relatively high latitude, and location hundreds of kilometres from any coast, Ulaanbaatar is known for its long and warm summers, cold and dry winters.

Weather data for Ulan Bator

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Average high °C (°F)	-16 (3)	-14 (7)	-3 (27)	6 (43)	15 (59)	22 (72)	24 (75)	22 (72)	16 (61)	5 (41)	-8 (18)	-15 (5)
Average low °C (°F)	-29 (-20)	-27 (-17)	-17 (1)	-6 (21)	1 (34)	10 (50)	12 (54)	10 (50)	3 (37)	-7 (19)	-16 (3)	-25 (-13)
<u>Precipitation</u> mm (inches)	1.9 (0.07)	1.9 (0.07)	2.8 (0.11)	6.4 (0.25)	14.6 (0.57)	36.7 (1.44)	46.5 (1.83)	46.1 (1.81)	22.6 (0.89)	5.3 (0.21)	4.8 (0.19)	3.5 (0.14)

Source: Forecast 2008



Geography

Located in the landlocked plateau of Central Asia between China and Russian Siberia, Mongolia covers an area of 1,566,500 sq.km, which is roughly the size of Western Europe. Mongolia stretches about 2,400 kilometres from west to east and about 1,260 kilometres from north to south. The total length of the country's borders is 8,158 kilometers.

The country is mountainous with an average altitude of 1,580 meters above sea level, which makes Mongolia one of the highest countries in the world. The lowest point, Huh Nuur Depression, is 560 meters above sea level and the highest point is Huiten Mountain in the Mongolian Altai Range (4,374m). The capital Ulaanbaatar lies at 1,380 meters.



The geography of the country is characterized by great diversity. From north to south, it can be divided into four areas: mountain-forest steppe, mountain steppe and, in the extreme south, semi-desert and desert (the latter being about 30% of the entire territory). In contrast to most visitors' expectations, much of the country's territory is mountainous. The principal mountains are concentrated in the west, with much of this region having elevations above 2,000 meters. The country's highest peaks are permanently snow-capped land covered with glaciers.

Mountains and dense forests pre-dominate central and northern Mongolia. The grasslands cover large areas of this region. Across the eastern part of the country stretches the vast grasslands of the Central Asian steppe. The steppe grades into the Gobi Desert, which extends throughout southern Mongolia from the east to the west of the country. The Gobi Desert is mostly gravelly, but also contains large areas of sand dunes in the drier areas of the Gobi near the southern border.

The country is dotted with hundreds of lakes, the largest being Uvs Nuur (covering in area of 3,350sq.km), Huvsgul (2,620sq.km), and Har-Uvs Nuur (1,852 sq.km). Lake Huvsgul is also the largest fresh-water lake in Central Asia. The Orkhon (1,124 kilometers) and the Selenge (539 kilometers) are the largest rivers.

Time Zone

Mongolia is GMT / UTC plus 8 hours.

Government

Current System of Government

Mongolia is a fledgling democracy with parliamentary type of government. The 1990 started with a democratic revolution that started with hunger strikes to overthrow the Mongolian People's Republic and eventually moved towards the democratic present day of Mongolia and the writing of the new constitution.

This was the beginning of the end of the 70-year period of communism in Mongolia.

Chief of State: President Tsahia Elbegdorj (since 18 June, 2009)

Head of Government: Prime Minister Sukhbaatar Batbold (since 29 October, 2009)

Religion

Almost 50% of Mongolia's population follow the Tibetan Buddhism, 40% are listed as having no religion, 6% are Shamanist and Christian, and 4% are Muslim.

Various forms of Shamanism have been widely practiced throughout the history of what is now modern day Mongolia. As such beliefs were common among nomadic people in Asian country. Such beliefs gradually gave way to Tibetan Buddhism, but Shamanism has left a mark on Mongolian cultural culture.

The fall of communism in 1990 restored the legality of public religious practice. The end of religious repression in Mongolia also allowed for other religion, such as Christianity spread in the country.



Language

The official language of Mongolia is Khalkha Mongolian, and it is spoken 90% of the population. A variety of different dialects are spoken across the country. Today, Mongolian is written using the Cyrillic alphabet.

Economy

Mongolia's economy is centered on agriculture and herding. Mongolia has rich mineral resources, and copper, coal, tin and gold account for a large part of industrial production and mining has become one of the largest part of industrial production and foreign direct investment.

There are currently over 30,000 independent businesses in Mongolia, chiefly centered around the capital city. The majority of the population outside urban areas participate in subsistence herding, livestock typically consists of sheep, goats, cattle, horses, and Bactrian camels.

Mongolia's economy is heavily influenced by its neighbors. Mongolia purchases 95% of its petroleum products and a substantial amount of electric power from Russia, leaving vulnerable to price increases. Trade with China represents more than half of Mongolia's total external trade- China received about 70 percent of Mongolia's exports.

Currency

Tugrik (MNT; symbol ₮). Notes are in denominations of ₮20,000, 10,000, 5,000, 1,000, 500, 100, 50, 20, and 10.

Banking & Exchange Services

Credit/Debit Cards and ATMs

Accepted by main commercial banks, large hotels and a few shops and restaurants in Ulaanbaatar. ATMs are available in Ulaanbaatar. Both Visa and Mastercard are widely accepted (international credit/debit cards are easy to use to withdraw cash at banks and ATM's).

Traveller's Cheques

Traveller's cheques are accepted although credit and debit cards remain faster and more convenient. To avoid additional exchange rate charges, travellers are advised to take traveller's cheques in US Dollars. Traveller's cheques can be difficult to exchange outside the capital.

Banking Hours

Mon-Fri 09:00-13:00 and 14:00-18:00.

www.mongolbank.mn - Mongol Bank

www.khanbank.com - Khan Bank

www.tdbm.mn - Trade and Development Bank



Electricity and power supply

The electric current is 220 – 240 V, 50 Hz. Electricity is widely available but power cuts are common. U.S. electronics will not work in Mongolia unless they have build-in converters (as do most computers) or a converter switch.

Sockets are the two round prongs /two-pin plugs/ in the European style. The socket holes are slightly smaller than some European plugs.

Shopping

Typical Mongolian souvenirs, garments, quality cashmere, camel wool, national costumes, boots, jewellery, silver works, painting on paper /canvas, Buddhist Tankas on silk, handmade carpets and rugs, snuff bottles, embroideries, leather clothes, books, maps and records are all available at reasonable prices. The State Department Store is the main shop from food to the above items. There are also small shops and local markets as well as art and souvenir shops.

Food markets are well stocked on Mongolian, Chinese, Russian, East and West European products.

The most adventurous traveller may wish to go out to the infamous “Black market”, which is a giant flea market on the outskirts of Ulaanbaatar.

The shopping hours are generally:

- Monday to Friday 9am to 7:00pm (many shops open during lunchtime)
- Saturday and Sunday 10am to 6:00pm

The Black Market are open Monday, from Wednesday to Sunday and are closed on Tuesday.

Food

The continental climate has affected the traditional Mongolian cuisine, so the Mongolian cuisine primarily consists of dairy products, meat and animal fats. Use of vegetables and spices in traditional Mongolian food is limited. Due to geographic proximity and deep historic ties to China and Russia, Mongolian cuisine is also influenced by Chinese and Russian cuisine.

The most common rural dishes in Mongolia are cooked with mutton. **Buuz** is a steamed dumpling, other types of dumplings are boiled in water (**bansh**), or a deep fried (**khuushur**) is very famous dishes among Mongolians. The most surprising cooking method is only used on special occasions are known as “Khorkhog”, big chunks of meat cooked with the help of stones that are preheated in a fire.

Different types of milk products are widely used among the Mongolian herders. Dried curds known as “**aaaruul**”, yoghurt, cheese etc. The most prominent national beverage is **airag**, fermented mare’s milk.



Taxes and tips

Sales tax, or VAT (value-added tax) is 10 percent on all purchases, which is usually included in the price.

It is not necessary to tip. It depends on personal wish if the service is good, feel free to tip, it will usually be appreciated.

News

English-language newspapers in Mongolia include:

MONGOL MESSENGER is the first English-language newspaper published in Mongolia that is owned by the Mongolian government. It covers locals news, sports, business, jobs and community events. www.mongolmessenger.mn

UB POST is Mongolia's independent English semiweekly newspaper. It is one of two English periodicals in Mongolia. The UB Post publishes news and information about rapidly changing and developing Mongolia, with ever-expanding foreign relations; a country on the way to a stronger democracy. www.ubpost.mongolnews.mn

Lodging

The Blue Sky Build project volunteers will stay at Bayangol hotel within approximately 40 minutes of the build site.

Bayangol Hotel- www.bayangolhotel.mn

This hotel is located right at the heart of Ulaanbaatar's business, entertainment and shopping district. Only a five minute walk away is the City Center, main Cultural Centers and State Institutions.

During the build week, breakfast will be served at the hotel. When enjoying the facilities of the hotels, please exercise cultural understanding and patience.



Safety Precautions and Security

Mongolia is a safe country for visitors, however, we recommend to keep your personal items and valuables safe.

- Carry a photocopy of the ID page of your passport in case of emergency or loss of your passport.
- Leave valuables, airline tickets and passports in the hotel safety deposit box.
- Do not bring items with any significant monetary and/or sentimental value.
- Please ask hotel clerk for an assistance to call for taxi. Taxi fares cost between 500-600 tugrugs per kilometre.

Do's and don'ts in Mongolia.

It is important to know the do's and don'ts while you are visiting Mongolia.

DON'Ts

- Let a post or fence come between you while walking alongside/with Mongolians.
- Whistle inside a Ger or House
- Point your feet in the direction of the altar (north side while inside the ger)
- Let people walk over your outstretched legs
- Tread on the threshold of the ger, when you walk over it.
- Lean against the support columns or the wall of the ger.
- Stamp out a fire, or put water, or any rubbish on it. Fire is sacred.
- Turn your back to the altar or where Gods are placed inside the ger.
- Touch other people hats and head
- Point a knife in the direction of anyone and point a finger to the person.
- Take anything with your left hand and hold a cup by the top rim.

DO's

- Keep your hat on while entering a ger, but lift it slightly as a sign of greeting.
- Receive things with your right hand or both hands, and ensure that your sleeves are rolled down
- Remove your gloves before you shake hands
- Walk around the ger in a clockwise direction on entering
- Take a sip or a nibble of anything (food/drink) offered by a Mongolian.
- Grab the hand of the Mongolian if you have accidentally kicked his/her feet.
- Sit down on the stool or chair with your feet tucked under it.



Before you arrive

All volunteers are responsible for making their own way to Ulaanbaatar. We recommend you make your reservations as early as possible, so you can find the best days to arrive and depart from Mongolia. You must fly in to Chinggis Khan International Airport.

All international volunteers should arrive sometime by Saturday June 26. Please note that your accommodation will be a shared room.

Upon the arrival at Chinggis Khan international airport, Blue Sky Build project staff and volunteers will be waiting to greet and assist you finding the bus to your lodging. Upon your arrival please look for Habitat for Humanity Blue sky Build signs.

Passports

All international volunteers must travel with their passports. Remember that your passport should be valid for 6 months after the Blue Sky Build.

Visa Requirements

Visas are required by all nationals except the countries who has bilateral agreement with Mongolia. Visas can be obtained from Mongolian Embassies, Consulates, Honorary Consulates, Trade and Permanent Missions abroad. Visas are valid for three months from date of issue.

Immunizations and health reminders

Contact your doctor and/or visit the U.S. Centers for Disease Control & Prevention's Web site, www.cdc.gov/travel, for traveler's health information about recommended preparations and vaccinations.

A few general health tips include:

- Carry and use sunscreen and insect repellent as needed.
- Drink only bottled water at all times.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water.
- Carry hand sanitizer in case you cannot find soap.
- If you or someone near you has an open wound, clean and cover it immediately.
- If someone has a serious wound, please contact a staff member or your house leader for assistance. First Aid stand and emergency care will be available on site at all times.



Medical Insurance

The mandatory insurance coverage that is consistent with policies recommended by Habitat for Humanity International’s Legal department and ratified by the Habitat for Humanity International board of directors. Coverage insures a comprehensive risk management program and to provide protection of all of Habitat’s international volunteers.

Exploring Mongolia

If you want to explore the enchanting Gobi deserts, visit a nomadic family and see beautiful pristine landscapes you can contact professional tour companies below. They will help you to organize your own personalized tour.

New Milestone Tour – www.newmilestonetour.com

Tseren Tours - www.tserentours.com

Karakorum Tours- www.gomongolia.com

Packing Suggestions

WHAT TO BRING: PACKING SUGGESTIONS

CLOTHING	TOILETRIES
<p>. We highly recommend that you pack the following as suggestions for the volunteers:</p>	<p>Considering the weather, we advise each volunteer to bring and wear sunblock and hand creams.</p>
<p>For the work site:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sturdy work shoes with closed toes. No sandal or any open-toed shoes because of the danger of dropping heavy things on the feet • Loose, comfortable clothing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ T-shirts or long-sleeved shirts (protection against sunburn) ➢ Long, durable pants ➢ Modest shorts are permitted but not recommended. Abrasion, cuts, scratches and sunburn are most common injuries at a build. • Heavy cotton socks • Broad brim hat or caps to protect your face from the sun. • Sturdy pair of working gloves, or multiple pairs of cotton gloves • Dark sun glasses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Sunblock ◆ Towels and washcloth (face towels) ◆ Soap, shampoo and toothpaste, toothbrush ◆ Sleep wear ◆ Hand lotion <p>MEDICATIONS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ FIRST AID KIT ◆ Bring extra supplies of your medication and other medical supplies (such as medicines for fever, stomach problems, band aid , antiseptic, diarrhea pills, body aches, inhalers, insulin etc. together with your doctor’s prescription) ◆ An extra pair of your prescription glasses or contact lenses, if any ◆ Salt tablets, an aid against dehydration. You will be working in hot, humid weather and should expect to sweat a lot <p><i>Packing tip: Place all liquids and lotions in ziplock</i></p>



	<p>or plastic bags and pack with your checked-in luggage.</p>
<p>For social gatherings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men: Casual shirt and pants/jeans • Women: Casual and comfortable dress; Blouse and skirt or slacks/ pants 	<p>OTHER USEFUL THINGS TO BRING:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◇ Sunglasses ◇ Camera and lots of film ◇ Flashlight and batteries ◇ Alarm clock
<p>Other clothing suggestions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lightweight, button-up wind breakers • A woolen sweater and a light warm jacket (at times the temp drop). • Comfortable shoes or sandals for travel and sightseeing; rubber slippers for shower. • Sweatshirt.. <p>Money: Bring some money (cash). No more than \$ 100 to 200 USD is suggested</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◇ Water bottle ◇ Multi pin Adaptor plugs. Standard voltage in the Mongolia is 220V - 240 V. <p>We recommend to bring light tools which you will be able to donate after the build if you choose.</p>



At the airport

International volunteers will be met at Chinggis Khan international airport. Before you enter Mongolia you will need to fill out an immigration form and present to the immigration officials upon arriving at the airport. The arrival and departure portion of the immigration form are below:

The image shows two forms side-by-side: an Arrival Card (left, green header) and a Departure Card (right, orange header). Both are from the MONGOLIA Passport Control Service. Each form includes a 'Note' at the top stating: 'This form is to be filled neatly and checked with passport'. The Arrival Card fields include: Surname, Givenname, Date of birth (year, month, day), Sex (Male/Female), Citizenship, Passport type & number, Visa type & number, Duration of stay in Mongolia (Up to 30 days, Up to 90 days, Over 90 days), Number of accompanying children, Children full name, Citizenship, Passport type & number, Purpose of visit (Study, Transit, Business, Work, Permanent resident, Tourism, Private, Other), Date of arrival (year, month, day), Flight/Train No, Address in Mongolia, and Signature. The Departure Card fields include: Surname, Givenname, Date of birth (year, month, day), Sex (Male/Female), Citizenship, Passport type & number, Visa type & number, Duration of stay in Mongolia (Up to 30 days, Up to 90 days, Over 90 days), Number of accompanying children, Children full name, Citizenship, Passport type & number, Date of departure (year, month, day), Flight/Train No, and Signature.

After leaving immigration, please look for Habitat for Humanity Blue sky Build signs. Afterwards, you will be escorted to a bus that will take you to Bayangol hotel.



Local Transport

The affiliate will provide transportation to and from the work site and for other planned activities. For other activities public transport in Ulaanbaatar is very easy to use and is inexpensive and safe.

Communications

The hotels has internet service and it is widely available. Other internet café's and sites are available throughout Ulaanbaatar city.

Telephones

You can make international calls and send faxes from your hotel or the Central Post Office near Sukhbaatar Square.

Operator- assisted calls dial:

Dial (976) + (11) + (telephone number)

To make an international call from Ulaanbaatar, you must dial: 00 + the country code + the area code + the telephone number.

Build Week

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Note: Details are subject to change

Saturday 26th June, 2010

Volunteers arrive. Buses will transport volunteers from Airport to Hotel

10.00 am -9.00 pm – Event Registration at Bayangol Hotel

12.00 noon – 13.00 hours lunch at Baynagol Hotel

6.00 pm to 7.00 pm Dinner at hotel

Sunday 27th June, 2010

6.00 am – 7.00 am breakfast at Hotel

9.00 am – 9.00 pm Event registration at Hotel

10.00 am – 12.00 noon Volunteer Orientation at hotel

12.00 noon – 13.00 hours Lunch at Bayangol Hotel

3.00 pm – 3.30 pm volunteers meet their House leaders and Block Manager

7.00 pm – 9.00 pm Opening and Dinner at Hotel



Monday 28th June, 2010

6.00 – 7.00 am Breakfast at Hotel
7.00, 7.15, and 7.30 Buses depart for Build site
8.00 am Build begins
12.30 – 1.30 pm Lunch at Build site
5.00 pm Build stops for the day
5.30, 5.45, 6.00 pm buses depart for Hotel
7.30 – 8.30 Dinner at hotel

Tuesday 29th June , 2010

6.00 – 7.00 am Breakfast at Hotel
7.00, 7.15, and 7.30 Buses depart for Build site
8.00 am Build begins
12.30 – 1.30 pm Lunch at Build site
5.00 pm Build stops for the day
5.30, 5.45, 6.00 pm buses depart for Hotel
7.30 – 8.30 Dinner at hotel

Wednesday 30th June, 2010

6.00 – 7.00 am Breakfast at Hotel
7.00, 7.15, and 7.30 Buses depart for Build site
8.00 am Build begins
12.30 – 1.30 pm Lunch at Build site
5.00 pm Build stops for the day
5.30, 5.45, 6.00 pm buses depart for Hotel
7.30 – 8.30 Dinner at the Khan Ger. Buses will depart hotel by 7.00 pm and return to hotel by 9.00 pm

Thursday 1st, July , 2010

6.00 – 7.00 am Breakfast at Hotel
7.00, 7.15, and 7.30 Buses depart for Build site
8.00 am Build begins
12.30 – 1.30 pm Lunch at Build site
5.00 pm Build stops for the day
5.30, 5.45, 6.00 pm buses depart for Hotel
7.30 – 8.30 Dinner at hotel

Friday 2nd July, 2010

6.00 – 7.00 am Breakfast at Hotel
7.00, 7.15, and 7.30 Buses depart for Build site
8.00 am Build begins
12.00 – 1.00 pm Lunch at Build site
2.00 – 3.00 house photos
3.00 pm House dedications Families and volunteers
3.30 pm Closing ceremony
4.30 pm buses will depart for hotel
5.30, Buses depart for ger camp where closing ceremony dinner and Mongolian traditional cultural

Program will be held
10.00 pm buses depart for hotel

Saturday 3rd July, 2010

Volunteers Depart

Appendices

Habitat as an Organisation

Habitat for Humanity International is a non-profit, ecumenical Christian housing ministry. HFHI seeks to eliminate poverty housing and homelessness from the world, and to make decent shelter a matter of conscience and action. Habitat is founded on the conviction that every man, woman and child should have a simple, decent, affordable place to live in dignity and safety regardless of race or religion and welcome volunteers and supporters from all walks of life.

Habitat has built more than 300,000 houses in approximately 100 countries around the world, providing more than 425,000 people in more than 2,000 communities with safe, decent, affordable shelter. HFHI was founded in 1976 by Millard & Linda Fuller.

Habitat Mission Statement

Habitat for Humanity works in partnership with God and people every where, from all walks of life, to develop communities with God's people in need by building and renovating houses so that there are decent communities in which to live and grow into all that God intended.

Mission principles of Habitat for Humanity

In all that we do in pursuing the mission of Habitat for Humanity, we pledge to:

Demonstrate the love and teachings of Jesus Christ.

We will act in all ways in accord with the belief that God's love and grace abound for all; that every human life is priceless; that we must never exploit another for our own profit; that Christ can multiply the miniscule to accomplish the magnificent; and that we are to act as faithful stewards of the resources we receive.

Advocate on behalf of those in need of decent shelter.

We commit, as an integral part of our work, to communicating the needs of all people for safe and decent shelter, thereby engaging in deliberate efforts to leverage change within society to eliminate restraints that contribute to poverty and poverty housing.

Focus on shelter by building and renovating simple, decent, affordable houses.

We have chosen, as our means of manifesting God's love, to build adequate and durable homes with those in need of shelter, carrying out the belief that safe and affordable housing is a basic human right and fundamental component of dignity and long-term well-being for every person on earth.



Engage broad community through inclusive leadership and diverse partnerships.

We will work in people-to-people partnership. Following Christ's example, we believe that everyone—regardless of race, nationality, religion or socioeconomic status—can work together for the good of all; that everyone can unite behind serving those in need within a human community; and that everyone has something to contribute to the work of building houses and hope.

Promote dignity through full partnership with Habitat homeowners and future home partners.

We put into practice the belief that healthy self-regard—and the benefits that derive from that sense of worth—is promoted not simply by living in an adequate house, but by fully contributing to the process of acquiring that house and by the opportunity to help others also acquire adequate shelter. Promoting dignity also refers to the nondiscriminatory selection of all home partners based on need and willingness to partner.

Promote transformational and sustainable community development.

We view our work as successful when it promotes holistic and lasting positive change within a community; when it helps empower those who have been powerless; when it is based on mutual trust and fully shared accomplishment; when it promotes improved relationships among all peoples; when its goal is local, community leadership for ongoing work; and when it demonstrates respectful stewardship of all human, economic and natural resources.



USEFUL EXPRESSIONS – Mongolia

Local Language

Locally the language spoken is Mongolian

People around the world are delighted when foreigners try to speak their language—even a few words or phrases—because language is a part of our personal and cultural identity. Local people will be happy to see your efforts at speaking their language and will be eager teachers.

<p>Greetings Hello Goodbye Good Morning Good Afternoon Good Night Please Thank You Excuse Me Sorry How are you? I'm fine, thanks</p> <p>Construction Terms Wait Stop Finished Is this right? How do you do it? Do it like this Good Work May I have....? Hammer Cement Sand Shovel Trowel Nails Timber Tape Measure</p>	<p>Mendchilgee Sain baina uu? Bayartai Ugluunii mend Udriin mend Saikhan amraarai Tegne uu. Bayarlalaa Uuchlaarai Uuchlaarai Tanii biye sain uu? Bi sain</p> <p>Barilgiin ug helleg Hulee Zogs Duussan Ene zuv uu? Uuniig yaj hij baina ve? Ingej hii Sain hijjee. Bi . . . avch boloh uu? Alkh Tsement Els Hutguur Hurz Hadaas Nariihan mod Tuuzaar hemjih</p>	<p>Useful Phrases What is your name? My name is I don't understand Do you understand? Do you speak English? What's this? How much does it cost? It's too expensive for me I want to buy...</p> <p>I'm lost I'm sick I'm hungry I don't eat... I'm a vegetarian</p>	<p>Heregtei ug helleg Tanii ner hen be? Minii ner Bi oilgohgui baina. Ta oilgoj baina uu? Ta Angliar yaridag uu? Ene yu ve? Ene yamar unetei ve? Ene ikh unetei baina. Bi . . . hudaldaj avmaar baina.</p> <p>Bi tuurchihluu. Bi uvduj baina. Bi ulsuj baina. Bi iddeggui. Bi tsagaan hool iddeg</p>
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THE GIFT-GIVING POLICY
*All donations and gifts must be channeled through
Habitat for Humanity and not given directly to the community.*

Requested of all Teams!








The following request is asked of all Team Members before arrival and should be repeated during the “In-country Welcome Orientation”

During your time in the community you maybe approached or requested to financially help some people. You as a foreigner are sometimes seen as being wealthy and a possible source of help in the poverty round-about for some of the local families. The request may come in several different forms from money to gifts.













The answer to such requests is:

“Please ask the Blue Sky Build Coordinator or the National Coordinator as all such requests must be done through them, I am not allowed to make such commitments!”

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