

# BOUNCE!

**STUDENT DISASTER RECOVERY**



**COMMUNITY INFORMATION PACKET**



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Students have the desire and ability to make a difference in the world. It's that belief that led Texas Baptists to create and launch **BOUNCE** Student Disaster Recovery in 2014. **BOUNCE** is a pre-packaged mission experience that mobilizes church youth groups into areas affected by disasters to assist with long-term recovery/rehab. **BOUNCE** participants are able to support communities through construction, debris removal & clean-up, and other ministry projects that help communities **BOUNCE** back.

In our first summer, **BOUNCE** learned the value of partnerships. It was through partnerships with local organizations that **BOUNCE** was able to effectively serve people and communities in need by offering free labor to assist in recovery efforts. Long-term recovery committees, agencies that specialize in home rehabilitation, as well as faith-based groups partnered with **BOUNCE** to significantly impact West, TX; Austin, TX; and Moore, OK.

In addition to highly motivated student and adult volunteers, **BOUNCE** provides a Coordinating Team to implement the **BOUNCE** experience. A Mission Coordinator (MC) communicates with participating youth group leadership regarding the mission, while the Construction Coordinator (CC) works hand in hand with a local organization in project selection and the acquisition of materials. A Local Logistics Coordinator (LLC) assists in securing lodging, lunches, and other local resources.

In addition to disaster recovery efforts, in 2015 **BOUNCE** began to partner with communities for **BOUNCE Community Rehabilitation Missions**. This new mobilization effort will be a partnership with local housing rehabilitation agencies and Baptist Associations or key churches to rehabilitate sub-standard housing using **BOUNCE** volunteers to provide the labor. The use of volunteer labor can save community rehabilitation organizations 50 to 60 cents on the dollar.

I invite you to take a look at the materials in this packet to assist you in considering the possibility of partnering with **BOUNCE** for recovery/rehabilitation efforts in your community. You will also find reference letters from organization we have partnered with in the past. Thank you so much for giving **BOUNCE** consideration. We look forward to the possibilities.

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# BOUNCE Community Timeline

The following information reflects an “ideal” timeline for a BOUNCE Mission experience. We realize plans sometimes change, and in some situations, it takes a community time to get organized for recovery efforts – that’s the nature of the disaster recovery. However, we certainly need some assurance that if we are to mobilize groups into the affected area, we will have materials and significant work for them to do. That being the case, here is a suggested BOUNCE timeline.

- **Date: Summer/Fall prior to mission year (by December 1)**  
Partnering Organization and BOUNCE agree to mobilize volunteers to the area and a date is set. BOUNCE begins to promote the recovery efforts and register student youth groups to attend the BOUNCE Mission.
- **Date: Fall prior to mission year (by December 1)**  
A Materials/Funding plan is confirmed.
- **Date: Fall prior to mission year (before December 1)**  
BOUNCE Staff and Construction Coordinator will meet with partnering Organization(s) to discuss the project/worksite selection process, materials plan, on-site waste removal plan, building permits, and other concerns
- **Date: January 1**  
Coordinators communicate registration numbers with partnering Organization on a regular basis or as numbers change.
- **Date: January-February**  
BOUNCE Staff, Coordinators, and partnering Organization meet in community for planning purposes. Pre-Mission Visit and Project Selection times are determined and set.
- **Date: March-May**  
Project selection begins. Construction Coordinator and organization begin the process of selecting projects. Projects are selected based on Organization’s qualifying policies/procedures and Construction Coordinators screening for feasibility and safety. Materials lists are developed.
- **Date: April-May**  
Pre-Mission Visit (PMV) is conducted in the community. Participating Group Leaders are invited to visit the area to tour lodging facility, see potential project sites, and meet Mission Leadership.  
**Note:** If the PMV can be scheduled in conjunction with project selection, it can be helpful.

□ **Date: One month prior to Mission**

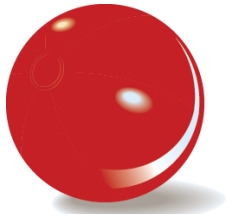
Partnering Organizations orders and purchases, or secures materials, dumpsters and portable toilets, or other equipment needed. Timely material deliveries are important for volunteers to be effective.

□ **Date: Mission Week**

Determine an effective communication plan between the Partnering Organization and Construction Coordinator to monitor progress and make adjustments. If inspections are needed, make sure the process and time-table are pre-determined.

□ **Final Mission Day**

Partnering Organization and Construction Coordinator meet to discuss status/completion of all projects.



# BOUNCE Lingo

**Affected Community:** These are the communities where BOUNCE serves. These communities have been affected by some type of disaster in recent years and are working through the Long-Term Recovery process. An Affected Community may also include a community where BOUNCE is conducting rehabilitation projects.

**Team BOUNCE:** Leadership team consisting of coordinators, collegiate staff, and mission volunteers who organize and implement the mission. Below you will find Team BOUNCE leadership positions:

**Mission Coordinator (MC):** A member of Team BOUNCE responsible for communication with participating BOUNCE churches or groups. Leads the Collegiate Staff and works with the Construction Coordinator (CC) and Local Logistics Coordinator (LLC) to organize and implement the mission.

**Construction Coordinator (CC):** A member of Team BOUNCE responsible for selecting ministry worksites, creating material lists, and recruiting and selecting construction personnel for the BOUNCE Mission. Works with the MC, LLC, and funding agencies to organize and implement the mission.

**Local Logistics Coordinator (LLC):** A member of Team BOUNCE responsible for community coordination. The LLC's job may differ from city to city and may include partnership with local Long-Term Recovery Committees (LTRC) or organizations, securing team lunches, and finding lodging for the mission week.

**Mission Administrative Specialist (MAS):** Member of Team BOUNCE Collegiate Staff responsible for administrative tasks related to the mission. Manages the BOUNCE office and assists the MC with communication with participating groups.

**Audio/Visual Specialist (AVS):** Member of Team BOUNCE Collegiate Staff responsible for operating sound, and shooting and editing video footage used in BOUNCE worship experiences.

**Communication & Missions Specialist (CMS):** Member of Team BOUNCE responsible for media communications throughout the mission week. The CMS also promotes mission/ministry opportunities for students.

**Worship Leader (WL):** Member of Team BOUNCE Collegiate Staff responsible worship music leadership. Works with MC and BOUNCE Worship Speaker (BWS) to plan and implement worship experiences at BOUNCE.

**BOUNCE Worship Speaker (BWS):** The BOUNCE Worship Speaker engages participants during each evening's time of worship with a message from God's Word.

## **BOUNCE Lingo continued**

**Construction Supervisor:** Members of the construction team selected by the CC to supervise construction work on approximately 5 ministry worksites.

**Materials Runner:** Materials runners pick up and deliver supplies to ministry worksites.

**First-Aid Coordinator (FAC):** A member of Team BOUNCE with certified basic First Aid training who can assist with injuries and illnesses throughout the mission week. This person is recruited by the MC.

**Baptist General Convention of Texas (BGCT):** The sponsoring convention for BOUNCE. Also known as Texas Baptists.

**BOUNCER:** A BOUNCE Mission participant.

**Disaster Relief:** The work that takes place immediately after a community has been affected by a disaster by such trained and skilled groups as Texas Baptists Men (TBM).

**Disaster Recovery:** The work that typically takes place after disaster relief groups have finished their work. Volunteers are mobilized to assist with long-term recovery efforts.

**Long-Term Recovery Committee (LTRC):** A committee made up of local citizens who organize the community for the recovery process. They assess local needs, organize volunteer efforts, and some cases distribute funds for recovery efforts.

**Group Leader (GL):** The GL is the adult participant that registers, prepares, and brings a group to a BOUNCE mission. The GL may be a volunteer youth worker or a minister on church staff.

**Group Leader Handbook:** The Group Leader Handbook contains information about BOUNCE, details on how to prepare a youth group for BOUNCE, and BOUNCE Preparation Materials.

**BOUNCE Preparation Materials:** BOUNCE believes in sending out prepared missionaries. The BOUNCE Preparation Materials are provided to Group Leaders (GL) to prepare their student and adult participants to be a part of a BOUNCE mission. Preparation requires participants to commit to 4 study sessions that will assist them in being ready to minister in an affected community.

**Ministry Team (MT):** A group of approximately 11 students and adults from various participating churches working together to minister in the community. A MT is assigned a construction or recovery project to complete during the week. The MC makes the MT assignments prior to the start of the mission. Participants will discover their assignments on Day One of the mission.

**Team Leader (TL):** The leader of each Ministry Team (MT). The TL has construction expertise and organizes and directs the work of the ministry team in accomplishing their assigned project for the week.

**Team Encourager (TE):** Assists the TL in organizing the Ministry Team's (MT) work. The TE serves as a "cheerleader" for the MT and helps keep them on task to complete their assignment for the week.

## **BOUNCE Lingo continued**

**Team Driver:** Team Drivers are adult members of the MT who transport the team to their Ministry Worksite each day. Drivers must be at least 21-years-of-age and be approved by their church or group's insurance policy.

**Ministry Worksite:** Ministry Teams will be assigned a Ministry Worksite where they will assist the community in the recovery process. Worksites may include private residences, city properties such as parks, debris removal & clean-up, beautification efforts, etc.

**Ministry Team Positions:** Members of a BOUNCE Ministry Team have opportunity to volunteer for some additional responsibilities. These positions include Team H2O Engineer; Team Chaplain; Team Safety Inspector; Team Doc; and Team Evangelism Reporter.

**Team Meeting:** On Day One of the mission, participants will meet their teammates to get organized for their week of ministry. There may also be other Team Meetings throughout the week scheduled by Team Bounce.

**BOUNCE Bash:** Day One meeting of all participants to get the BOUNCE Mission started. A high energy time to meet Team BOUNCE, share a few announcements, highlight the schedule, and have a little FUN! The first adult participant meeting also takes place during this time.

**Wrap Party Celebration:** A time to celebrate the ministry that took place during the week. Say good-bye to new friends and prepare to BOUNCE to the House back home.

**BOUNCE Worship:** In addition to the hard work of disaster recovery, a BOUNCE mission features evening times of worship & reflection designed to help participants encounter and respond to God.

**Youth Group Reflections:** This is a time set aside each evening after BOUNCE Worship for youth groups to gather and reflect on worship and the ministry events of the day.

**Time Alone With God:** After a Ministry Team arrives at their Ministry Worksite each day, participants will take a few moments for some time in God's Word and in prayer. Materials will be provided to direct participants in this time each day.

**Ministry Team Devotion:** A time during each ministry day where the Ministry Team pauses for a student led devotional. Materials are provided for the Ministry Team Chaplain to use in leading this time.

**BOUNCE Blog:** A daily blog written and maintained by the Communication & Mission Specialist (CMS) that highlights events and ministry of the day. It's an opportunity for people back home to hear and see what is going on at BOUNCE.

**BOUNCE Cam:** Reflection video created by the Audio/Visual Specialist that is viewed during the mission Wrap-Up Celebration.

**Club 28:19:** An evening event conducted by the Communication/Mission Specialist where BOUNCE participants can find information on mission/ministry opportunities beyond BOUNCE.

## **BOUNCE Lingo continued**

**BOUNCE Reflection Service:** This is something to consider once you BOUNCE Back Home. A reflection service is an opportunity for youth groups who have participated in a BOUNCE Mission to share with their church family about their ministry experiences.

**Operation Affirmation (OA):** A week long opportunity to write notes of encouragement to members of your Ministry Team, your youth group, or Team BOUNCE. Each BOUNCE participant will have an OA envelop where they can receive OA notes throughout the mission week.

**Disaster Response BOUNCE:** An opportunity to respond to a disaster need not long after a community has been affected.

**@BounceSDR:** Follow BOUNCE on Twitter

**[www.texasbaptists.org/bounce](http://www.texasbaptists.org/bounce):** The BOUNCE page on the Texas Baptists website.



# POTENTIAL BOUNCE SCHEDULE

(Revised 2017-18)

## OPTION 1

### DAY 1

2:00 PM	Mission Check-In Begins
4:00	Bounce Bash - Worship Center
4:15	Adult Info Meeting
4:40	Team Leader / Team Encourager Meetings
5:00	Meet Your Mission Team--Everyone in Worship Center
5:30	Team Position Training
6:00	Dinner
7:00	Mission Pictures
7:45	Worship
9:00	Youth group Reflections
10:00	Everyone In Rooms
10:30	Lights Out

### DAYS 2-4

6:00 AM	Breakfast
7:00	GO TIME*/Depart For Ministry Site
	*Tuesday Commissioning Prayer Only
	Time Alone With God at Ministry Site
Noon	Lunch & Team Devotion at Ministry Site
4:00 PM	Return to Lodging Facility
5:30	Group Leader Meeting (as designated by Mission Coordinator)
6:00	6:00 Dinner
7:30	Worship
8:45	Youth Group Reflections
10:00	Everyone In Rooms
10:30	Lights Out

### DAY 5

6:00 AM	Breakfast
7:00	Depart For Ministry Site
	Time Alone With God at Ministry Site
Noon	Lunch & Team Devotion at Ministry Site
4:00 PM	Return to Lodging Facility
5:30	Group Leader Meeting (as designated by Mission Coordinator)
6:00	6:00 Dinner
7:15	Worship
8:00	Final Mission Team Time
8:30	Wrap Party!
9:15	Youth Group Reflections
10:00	Everyone In Rooms
10:30	Lights Out

### DEPARTURE DAY

6:00 AM	Continental Breakfast Available
6:30	Check Out Begins/Clean Your Rooms/Load Your Stuff
8:00	BOUNCE Back Home--Depart Lodging Facility & Head Home



**PLEASE NOTE:** This is a potential schedule for a 5 Day Mission. Schedules are subject to change by Coordinating Team. Coordinating Team will communicate schedule changes to Group Leaders and/or post schedule changes at the mission.

## **OPTION 2**

### **DAY 1**

1:00 PM	Mission Check-In Begins
4:00	BOUNCE Bash!
4:15	Adult Info Meeting/Construction Team Leader Meeting/Team Encouragers Meeting
6:00	Dinner Time
7:00	Meet Your Mission Team/Mission Picture/Mission Team Position Training
8:00	Worship
9:15	Youth Group Reflections
10:00	Everyone in Your Rooms
10:30	Lights Out

**Remaining Mission Days are the same as OPTION 1**

# EXPRESS/SPRING BREAK SCHEDULE

(Revised 2017-18)

## OPTION 1

### DAY 1

2:00 PM	Mission Check-In Begins
4:00	Bounce Bash - Worship Center
4:15	Adult Info Meeting
4:40	Team Leader / Team Encourager Meetings
5:00	Meet Your Mission Team—Everyone in Worship Center
5:30	Team Position Training
6:00	Dinner
7:00	Mission Pictures
7:45	Worship
9:00	Youth group Reflections
10:00	Everyone In Rooms
10:30	Lights Out

### DAYS 2-3

6:00 AM	Breakfast
7:00	Go Time! (Day 2 only - Prayer of Commission) Time Alone With God after Team arrives at Ministry Worksite
Noon	Lunch & Devotion Time at Ministry Worksite
4:00 PM	Return to Lodging Facility
5:30	Group Leader Meeting (Day 2 Only)
6:00	Dinner Time!

### DAY 2

7:30	Worship
8:45	Youth Group Reflections
10:00	Everyone In Rooms
10:30	Lights Out

### DAY 3

7:15	Worship
8:00	Final Mission Team Time
8:30	Wrap Party!
9:15	Youth Group Reflections
10:00	Everyone In Rooms
10:30	Lights Out

### DAY 4 (Departure Day)

6:00 AM	Continental Breakfast Available
6:30	Check Out Begins/Clean Your Rooms/Load Your Stuff
8:00	BOUNCE Back Home--Depart Lodging Facility & Head Home



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See next page for **OPTION 2**

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### **DAY 1**

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4:00	BOUNCE Bash!
4:15	Adult Info Meeting/Construction Team Meeting/ Team Encourager Meeting
6:00	Dinner Time
7:00	Meet Your Mission Team/Mission Picture/Mission Team Position Training
8:00	Worship
9:15	Youth Group Reflections
10:00	Everyone in Your Rooms
10:30	Lights Out

**Remaining Mission Days are the same as OPTION 1**

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**REFERENCES**



# BOUNCE!



“I found your construction team to be extremely knowledgeable and well organized. With that knowledge, organization, and energy, the collaboration between BOUNCE, West Long-Term Recovery and First Baptist Church, West was a huge success.”

**John Raimer**

West Long Term Recovery  
Re-Construction Manager



“It’s my pleasure to recommend the BOUNCE Student Disaster Recovery group.... I am excited about our next partnership and honored to work with the BOUNCE crew!”

**Cindy Spackman**

Rebuilding Together Austin



“Thanks for helping us put our lives back together.”

**John Crowder**

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August 10, 2022

To Whom It May Concern:

It has been our great joy to host David Scott and his BOUNCE team on four different occasions as they served communities in the 4B Area. We have found his staff and students to be true servants to the families who have been hardest hit by natural disasters in our region.

Their obvious preparation and forethought can be seen in the conscientious way in which they conduct themselves and navigate some often difficult situations. They have never hesitated to take on any task we have assigned them and have gone above and beyond their duty in performing the needed service.

I would not hesitate to recommend the BOUNCE team to serve in any setting. They have represented the mission and goals of the 4B DRN well at every step of the way.

Blessings!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Eckeberger'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial 'J'.

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# GRASSROOTS

Community Development

*Committed to a brighter future for children, neighbors and communities.*

December 5, 2022

To Whom it May Concern:

I want to applaud the efforts of Bounce and its director, David Scott, in our community in Waco, Texas. Our organization Waco Community Development has partnered with Bounce for 8 years with great success. We have been able to serve 60+ families in Waco with roof repairs, ramps, porches and painting projects for our disabled elderly and low income families.

Bounce and David Scott are one of the most highly organized groups of volunteers that we have worked with over the years. Our relationship with David Scott has been 15 years now as he used to run a similar organization. The result has always been the same because of his great leadership and the team that he builds for the week of service in Waco.

I cannot recommend Bounce and David Scott more for a week of youth volunteer service projects. With David's leadership we have helped over 150 families in Waco with repairs to their homes over the last 15 years.

If you have any questions about how it works in Waco, I would be glad to discuss with you. Please give me a call at 254-723-0976(cell).

Good luck!

Mike Stone  
Executive Director

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August 18, 2022

To Whom It May Concern:

As a young long term recovery group (LTRG) serving the most disaster-impacted county in the state of Texas, it's daunting to know so many vulnerable households are looking to us for help. We had funding, but not enough to fully serve the cases we inherited, most of which are nearly 5 years old and multi-storm impact. We needed volunteers to help us stretch our funding as far as possible. The BOUNCE team has done that and so much more. The skill level BOUNCE brings with them is impeccable. They make site visits months in advance of their project week and put days of work into pre-planning and logistics. When they arrive, they hit the ground running. Every BOUNCE volunteer we've worked with has been a pleasure to meet and know. From adults to kids, they are gracious, friendly, and hard workers. We estimate that the BOUNCE volunteers have saved us nearly \$50,000 in labor costs just this year! In addition, the HOPE that these teams bring to the households we're serving is invaluable. We work with the most vulnerable households, households with multiple barriers including financial and emotional. These teams form bonds with these people, bringing joy and the vibrancy of youth into their lonely day-to-day lives. This alone is so therapeutic. The impact that BOUNCE has on disaster-impacted households is truly life-changing.

Volunteer groups like BOUNCE are critical to communities recovering from disasters. More than ever before, interaction with faith-based groups like BOUNCE is crucial to the well-being of those struggling with the aftermath of storm damages. There is nothing like having 10-15 good Christian young people in your home for 6-8 hours every day, laughing, singing, and loving!

We can't be more grateful for our relationship with BOUNCE. As far as we are concerned, they are leaders in disaster recovery volunteerism!

Thank you,

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September 24, 2018

Re: BOUNCE Student Disaster Recovery  
Texas Baptists, Dallas, TX

To Whom It May Concern,

Mission Centers of Houston, through its Northeast Houston Disaster Recovery division, worked in the summer of 2018 with BOUNCE. 80 students worked for 4 days with us to help repair flood-ravaged residences in an area of North Houston. Roofing, sheetrock repair, door and floor installation, and demo work in 6 mobile homes, 1 house and 2 churches were done by the BOUNCE teams of student volunteers and leaders.

The BOUNCE team provided a tremendous service and we are extremely grateful for their partnership. Their leaders had the appropriate skills, the teams were well prepared for the work and the students worked hard, long hours. Everyone was respectful of the residents they were helping and they exhibited the love of Jesus Christ to them very clearly. Prior to the trip BOUNCE leaders met several times with our leadership to scope out the work and to have everything lined up in advance of the team's arrival. It really couldn't have gone much better. We are looking forward to working with BOUNCE again in 2019.

For anyone reading this letter who is considering working with BOUNCE, don't hesitate. You will not be disappointed, and those you want to help will be blessed beyond measure. David Scott and the teams he leads will get the job done!

Please feel free to contact either Jim Ward, our NE Houston Network Director at [jim@nehoustondr.org](mailto:jim@nehoustondr.org) or myself at [jeff@missioncenters.org](mailto:jeff@missioncenters.org) should you like to know more details about BOUNCE's work with us in 2018.

In His Name,

*Jeff Chadwick*

Executive Director