

## **St. Mary of the Lake Ministry Description**

**Position Title:** Paint-A-Thon volunteer

**Responsible to:** St. Mary of the Lake Paint-A-Thon Coordinator

**Purpose of Position:** Prepare and paint the exterior of a home owned by low-income seniors or disabled of the community as assigned by the Metro Paint-A-Thon office. Painting usually is done the first weekend of August.

### **Responsibilities:**

Remember that we are guests of the homeowner. We are at their home at their invitation. Be respectful of the homeowner's wishes regarding their home and property.

Be flexible in doing any preparation work that is needed, e.g. scraping off peeling paint, sanding, repairing small areas, caulking, etc.

Apply primer to all areas that have bare wood exposed.

Bring equipment such as scrapers, brushes, ladders that you have available.

Collect all paint chips if house tests positive for lead. "Work wet" when scraping to avoid creating lead dust.

Your safety is your responsibility. Put ladders, etc. on solid ground.

Clean up area when finished with your task. Dispose of trash, clean brushes and equipment.

Wash your hands before eating and drinking.

### **Qualifications:**

Previous painting experience is helpful, or be willing to learn.

Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

### **Time Requirement:**

Paint-A-Thon Day, approximately 4-5 hours

Preparation work is done 1-2 weeks previous to paint day for 2 hours in the evening, Monday-Thursday as needed.

**Location:** Usually White Bear Lake or surrounding area.

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