



Baltimore County Christian Workcamp

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The 41st annual Baltimore County Christian Workcamp
is scheduled for July 21-27, 2024

Annual Report for 2024

The 41st annual Baltimore County Christian Workcamp (BCCW) was held July 21-27, 2024, in a slightly modified format due to some continuing pandemic concerns. Work was performed following prescribed health and safety precautions.

We continued to conduct the Sunday evening kick-off dinner and orientation at our host church, Hunt's Memorial United Methodist Church in Riderwood (west of Towson). However, breakfast was not held, and therefore, no items were made available for volunteer lunches. A dinner for volunteers was held on Tuesday evening at Catonsville UMC and was followed by the traditional visit to a nearby snowball/ice cream establishment. A Thursday dinner was held at Mt. Carmel UMC.

Also, the wrap-up event was again held on Saturday afternoon, rather than Friday evening, at Epworth UMC in Cockeysville. The lunch was followed by a discussion of work completed, a presentation of a few awards and a brief communion service for those who wished to participate.

- **Over 75 people participated** at work sites or in the provision of other support services.
- An estimated **280 plus days of volunteer work** was performed. The range of ages for the **volunteers was from six years old to over 85**, and represented all different faiths and beliefs, as did the people in the homes at which we performed work.
- Volunteers performed work at **20 homes** throughout Baltimore County, which had been referred by various County offices or departments (such as Social Services, Aging, and Health), churches, and other groups.
- **An additional 8 sites** were completed during the year between the 40th and 41st Workcamps. This made a **total of 29 sites** worked on during the year.

Work included building and repairing ramps; installing, repairing and/or replacing walls and ceilings, steps, electrical fixtures, sinks, faucets, grab bars, interior and exterior railings, and doors; caulking; painting; yard work; various minor plumbing repairs; interior clean-up; and hauling debris and other "stuff" for disposal.

We plan to once again conduct a full version of the 2025 Workcamp. However, we will also be prepared to hold it in a modified version, if health precautions again require that we do so.