



Baltimore County Christian Workcamp

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The 40th annual Baltimore County Christian Workcamp
is scheduled for July 16-21, 2023

Annual Report for 2022

The 39th annual Baltimore County Christian Workcamp (BCCW) was held **July 17-22, 2022**, in a modified format due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Work was performed following prescribed health and safety precautions.

To avoid large indoor gatherings, the Sunday orientation was conducted under a pavilion at Meadowbrook Regional Park in Timonium, with boxed meals being provided through a generous donation from the Lichty family and the Mount Washington Tavern. Also, the Friday evening wrap-up cookout was held, with Italian ice and ice cream provided outdoors at Epworth UMC in Cockeysville, followed by a discussion of work completed, a presentation of a few awards and a brief communion service for those who wished to participate. Breakfasts were held at Hunt's Memorial UMC (however only prepackaged snacks were available for lunches). A Wednesday dinner was held at Mt. Carmel UMC. Most meetings were held virtually. During the 2022 Workcamp:

- **Over 60 people participated** at work sites or in the provision of other support services. This was about a third of the number of volunteers expected in a non-pandemic year.
- An estimated **200 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 perform work.
- Volunteers performed work at **17 homes** 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 38th and 39th Workcamps, although those efforts were greatly limited due to the pandemic. This made a **total of 25 sites** worked on during the year.

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

We are hoping to conduct a full version of the 2023 Workcamp as has been done prior to the pandemic. However, we will also be prepared to hold it in a modified version, if health precautions again require that we do so.