Work Camp Participation Trend

The COVID-19 period continues to bring with it significant challenges and significant blessings! While we continue to operate our Work Camp program this year, it continues to be at historically low levels, and last minute cancellations continue as volunteers reassess their situation. As an illustration, between January and June of 2019, we hosted 755 Work Camp volunteers (and this was considered a below-average year). During this same period in 2020, that number was 48. We have rapidly made numerous adjustments to our staffing and spending in an attempt to compensate. We are operating our outreach ministries with a skeleton staff, which are even more desperately needed within our community due to the economic impacts of the virus.

We are fielding calls from community members asking whether or not we will be able to get to their projects this year, and we are reassuring them that they have not been forgotten, but that there will be a delay. That is the opportunity side of this situation. There are so many ways that we can restore hope in the wake of this pandemic! We are truly looking forward to the time when we will again be able to respond to these calls for help through the gift of your service and support.

If you or your group are making reservations for a future visit, please be patient with us. The Work Camp Office has also down-staffed to help us stay afloat.

