



A Brush with Kindness: Habitat is more than a home

In New York, “home” extends beyond the four walls of a house or apartment: it’s the community centers, playgrounds, parks and schools that make up our communities.

Habitat NYC and Westchester’s A Brush with Kindness (BWK) program breathes new life into these spaces! Volunteers paint, patch, repair, landscape and complete small construction projects in public spaces like senior centers, churches, schools and residential buildings.

BWK works in spaces that have limited funds for refurbishing, but often have the greatest need of a face-lift. BWK serves thousands of New Yorkers each year, and has revitalized more than 200 spaces.

BWK is a great introduction to volunteering with Habitat—the relatively light workload is accessible to a wide range of participants, and is a fantastic way for New Yorkers to get involved in their communities, and makes for a fun and rewarding team building experience.



Interested in sponsoring a community space?

Please contact Julia Diegel at jdiegel@habitatnycwc.org for more information.

Not only that, but BWK project locations change more regularly than our construction projects, which means we might be in your community next! From priming, planting and cleaning, our volunteers work throughout the five boroughs and Westchester County, bringing beauty to community spaces across New York.

A habitat is the home that we all share. Volunteer with us and help make our greater New York habitat a place that we all can call home.

Learn more and sign up to volunteer at habitatnycwc.org/bwk, or contact us at bwk@habitatnycwc.org for more information.



Anyone ages 14 and up can volunteer with BWK with a waiver from a parent or guardian.