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## THE PURPOSE

### Building Sheds, Building Relationships

- The Sheds of Hope SmartBench allows churches from Maine to California and anywhere in-between to build identical Sheds of Hope.
- Our goal is to have Sheds of Hope churches trained and ready to build Sheds of Hope for a Mission to North America (MNA) Disaster Response work-site.
- As sheds are built, so are relationships. Bonds are formed and strengthened within the church, within families, and within their communities through building together.
- With a SmartBench, quality is increased while reducing build time by 25%.

## THE BENEFITS

### Diverse Teams, Consistent Results

Having the right tools makes all the difference. The Sheds of Hope SmartBench is designed to provide easy cuts, a precise fit, and a comfortable work deck.

Each church that comes on board to be a shed-building church will receive a SmartBench and training. This provides a consistent product no matter where they are built or who will be setting them up on site.

Having people of all ages working around the bench promotes building and learning together as a team. People of all ages can drill holes or put in the screws. You can even bring your own battery drill!



## THE BENCH

### Bench Templates, Professional Cuts

No more measuring, no more marking! Just position the templates on the bench, slide the studs into place, and with three cuts, you have the walls and floor cut.

### Bench Dogs, Perfect Fit

Using templates and bench dogs (pegs) enables the studs to fit perfectly every time. You won't believe how easy it is to make a square corner! The great fit makes set-up easier for volunteers.

### Easy on the Joints

The Sheds of Hope SmartBench provides a platform to work on so that you can stand and work at waist height. It's easy on the body.

### Easy to Store

Designed to be portable, the SmartBench is easy to dismantle and can be stored at the church or in someone's garage.



**“** Thanks again for introducing us to this rewarding ministry, and the fun of working together in it. Sheds of Hope nurture and strengthen God's children long before sheds are delivered to disaster victims! — Dick H. Forrester

## THE BUILD

### Anyone Can Be Trained

Working side by side, youth, adults, and retirees have learned how to use the SmartBench and build a shed together.

Using the Sheds of Hope SmartBench makes it possible for 6-8 people to build their first Shed of Hope in about 6-8 hours. Seasoned teams can reduce the time significantly.

### The Nuts and Bolts

All the screws and hardware for a Shed of Hope can be purchased as a Shed-in-a-Bucket. These will be available from the MNA Disaster Response Warehouse soon.

### Integrity over Distance

Using screws maintains the integrity of the shed during transportation, provides a safe work-site, and allows many people to be working together on a shed.



## THE PRODUCT

### Easy Transportation

Sheds of Hope panels are flat-packed and ready to go. MNA will coordinate transportation to an active disaster site or to the The Charles H. Jones Family Disaster Response Center in Rome, Georgia.

### Immediate Response

Sheds of Hope churches can also respond quickly to a disaster as personal as a house fire in their local community.

### Growing Network

The network of churches that provide and build Sheds of Hope when a disaster strikes allows MNA to respond quickly and efficiently to a disaster within a 300-mile radius of your church.

## THE SETUP

### As Sheds Go Up, Hope Increases

- Basic rule of thumb: More volunteers, faster set-up!
- Record time for a shed built on site: 1 hour and 24 minutes
- Results for homeowner and teams: the joy and satisfaction of seeing the results of their work.

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

- Pray and ask God how he would have you be involved with MNA Disaster Response Sheds of Hope
- Help us meet our goal of having at least one church in every state and province trained as a Sheds of Hope Church
- Help us provide a SmartBench and training for interested churches by joining our monthly support team





## SHEDS OF HOPE

Discover a simple but powerful way to show the love of Christ when disaster strikes. Lasting relationships are built when we work together and weep with those who weep.

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