

## Photographer Checklist

Thank you for your willingness to photograph our Abrahamic Reunion Community Service! Your photography will be published online both at [abrahamicalliance.org](http://abrahamicalliance.org) and on Facebook to spread a message of hope that Jews, Christians and Muslims cannot only peacefully coexist, but we can unite to serve the poor for the glory of God, kavod Hashem, الخد لله. Seeing is believing, so your photography is crucially important to advance international peacebuilding as people around the world long for similar events to occur in their locale.

### PREPARATION

- ☐ To insure the privacy, dignity and security of homeless guests and shelter residents, **please do not photograph their faces**. If their hands or backs only are visible in a picture of volunteers, no problem.
- ☐ Verify your camera is **set to** take the **highest quality/resolution images** possible.
- ☐ Verify camera **date, hour and minute settings** are correct to insure accurate EXIF time stamps on all pics.
- ☐ **Please ensure your camera lens** is clean.
- ☐ Enable **silent mode** on your camera so as not to distract others at quiet event times, e.g., during prayer.
- ☐ There might be an additional photographer helping you cover your event. If so, you two will form a "buddy group", so feel free to get acquainted as you work together.

### PLEASE TAKE PHOTOS OF:

- ☐ Community **leaders welcoming** volunteers before the event begins
- ☐ **Each community leader addressing volunteers** during orientation
- ☐ **Buddy groups getting acquainted** in conversation during orientation
- ☐ **Buddy groups looking at your camera and smiling** while getting acquainted, working, serving, and dining together. Say "Smile!" to get their attention. **Don't be shy**. These pictures are *important*.
- ☐ **Group picture**. After orientation, direct volunteers to a place with good lighting where you can arrange all into **several rows (kneeling, sitting and standing)**, allowing you to be as close as possible. **Count to 3** so people know when *not* to blink. Then say something *real* funny to get a group pic with BIG smiles, e.g., "Imagine your favorite team just won the superbowl, world cup, or world series—on 3? 1, 2, 3!"
- ☐ **Buddy groups working** together
- ☐ **Buddy groups serving** together
- ☐ **Buddy groups dining** together
- ☐ **Buildings** hosting the event: **outside from a distance, entry**, get **signage** showing **name of facility**.
- ☐ **Prayers/blessings/dua** (if offered). **Check agenda** and be ready to photograph each person or group who offers a prayer before volunteers and/or guests. Be discreet and reverent.
- ☐ **Event leaders group**. Bring event leaders together to take a group photo of them together when things slow down a bit (their names are on your agenda).
- ☐ **Buddy groups conversing** over their meal, then interrupt them briefly by saying "SMILE!" ☺
- ☐ All **leaders who address volunteers while dining** at event end.
- ☐ **Album cover pic**: The best pic of the event will appear on the home page of [abrahamicalliance.org](http://abrahamicalliance.org) and be used as an photo album cover. It will be cropped 16:9 widescreen. Album cover shots generally have at least 5 volunteers (with at least one from each community) in action working/serving together and looking directly at the camera with big smiles.

### AFTER THE EVENT

- ☐ Please **upload all photos within 24 hours** (if possible) to <http://events.abrahamicalliance.org/dropbox> (JPG format preferred—upload service can't accept RAW images).
- ☐ Unless you instruct us otherwise, AAi will add **your full name** to the filenames of all photos and thank you by name on the web page hosting your photos. If for any reason you don't want your name associated with these photos, please let us know by email to [info@abrahamicalliance.org](mailto:info@abrahamicalliance.org).

