# Date Idea: Volunteer and Build a Foundation Together





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Shake up your usual list of <u>date ideas</u> and try something new! A great way to bond with your beau is by volunteering for a good cause. This weekend, work on strengthening your relationship by building a home for someone in need. Lots of organizations, such as <u>Habitat for Humanity</u>, need volunteers to help with their current community projects.

## Build a house for someone in need with this date idea!

Giving back is a great way for you and your partner to do some real relationship-building. Working alongside your honey will enable you two to connect on a new level. Plus, completing a physical task together will bring you closer and clue you in to your ability to be a successful team in the future. Following this relationship advice, you may even discover something new about your significant other. Perhaps he's handier than you thought with a toolbox. Next time your faucet is leaking, you'll know who to call!

Service projects aren't only about work. Building houses is a great outdoor activity for a sunny August afternoon (soak up that vitamin D!) and can also double as your daily workout. Swinging that hammer over and over again or lifting heavy pieces of wood will leave you sweaty and exhausted. You may even meet some other couples and expand your social circle.

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Most organizations allow you to sign up for just one day at time so you don't have to make a big commitment with this weekend date idea. Don't worry if you don't have any experience with construction, as there are jobs for all ability levels. They will also teach you new skills if you're interested in learning how to lay tile or want to improve your painting abilities.

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After you're done, head out for drinks or a sweet treat. You can even invite some of the new friends you made today. Talk about what you learned from the day's activities and what you most enjoyed about pitching in. The next time you're looking for a weekend date idea that will help your relationship and your community, consider building a home for a good cause!

### Tell us: Have you and your partner ever volunteered together as a date idea?