

# Volunteer Photographer Guide



## 1. Take Great Photos

- **Focus on the action.** The important stuff is all the walking, hugging, dancing, and cheering! Pictures of people filling out paperwork, lifting boxes, and standing around get boring *fast*.
- **It's about people.** Skip the birds, food trays, and shirts - capture people, faces, and fun.
- **Wooooo!** Prompt people to cheer or say cheese - they'll look better, and thank you later.
- **Change angles often.** On the ground, on a hill, through a tree - be adventurous!
- **Be bold.** Get right up close! Don't hang back and fill your camera with cluttered far-away photos.
- **We like video too.** If you have the ability to shoot video, do it!

## 2. Guidelines for Submission

- **Quickly!** Send asap so everyone can appreciate and share them! (Ideally, before Sept. 23.)
- **High quality.** Pleeaaaaaase don't shrink or recompress the files you send us - the more megapixels the better. We accept basically any format, including Camera Raw files.
- **No watermarks or text.** We're totally happy to give you credit - please include your name and website and we'll post it up with your photos. No watermarks please!
- **Filtered.** If you have time to remove duplicate or blurry photos, we'd be extra grateful!

## 3. Send to [photos@blueseafoundation.org](mailto:photos@blueseafoundation.org)

- **The best way!** Send lots of big files for free using [WeTransfer.com](http://WeTransfer.com) - do this!
- **Web folder:** Send us your Dropbox, Google Drive, or OneDrive link. Can be glitchy.
- **Gallery:** A professional web gallery with a 'download all' button. (No Facebook galleries!)
- **Snail mail:** If all else fails, send your USB stick or SD card to the address at the bottom.

## 4. Don't Forget!

Your photos are really, **really important** - the event only lasts a few hours, but photos live on forever. If you have any questions, contact me at [photos@blueseafoundation.org](mailto:photos@blueseafoundation.org) and we'll work it all out. Thanks so much - good luck!



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