

Jesuit Volunteer Corps

“Volunteers live a simple lifestyle in community with other volunteers and seek to develop spiritually. The Jesuit Volunteer’s work with a local social service agency or community organization makes a concrete difference in the lives of the men, women and children who are being served, but it often has the greatest impact on the Jesuit Volunteer him/herself.”

~ 1 Year Commitment ~

Locations: Many Placements Nationwide

www.jesuitvolunteers.org

* Some placements require fluency in Spanish

The Catholic Worker Movement

The Catholic Worker Movement, founded by Dorothy Day and Peter Maurin in 1933, is grounded in a firm belief in the God-given dignity of every human person. Today over 185 Catholic Worker communities remain committed to nonviolence, voluntary poverty, prayer, and hospitality for the homeless, exiled, hungry, and forsaken. Catholic Workers continue to protest injustice, war, racism, and violence of all forms.

~ Time Commitments Vary ~

Locations: Across the United States

www.catholicworker.org

* International options also available

Mercy Volunteer Corps

“Volunteers commit equally to service, social justice, a simple lifestyle, shared spirituality, and community living with other volunteers. Serve within the fields of social work, peace and justice advocacy, education, healthcare and medicine. Placements include urban areas and rural regions, Apache and Navajo reservations, and US /Mexico border towns.”

~ 1 or 2 Year Commitment ~

Locations: Across the United States

www.mercyvolunteers.org

* Volunteers placed in sites compatible with their gifts and skills

“The greatest challenge of the day is:
how to bring about a revolution of the heart, a
revolution which has to start with
each one of us?”

~ Dorothy Day

“Students must let the gritty reality of this world
into their lives so they can learn to feel it, think
about it critically, respond to its suffering, and
engage it constructively. They should learn to
perceive, think, judge, choose, and act for the
rights of others, especially the disadvantaged
and the oppressed.”

~ Peter Hans Kolvenbach, SJ

“When we are dreaming alone, it
is only a dream. When we are
dreaming with others, it is the
beginning of reality.”

~ Dom Helder Camara

Teach for America

“Teach For America’s mission is to enlist our nation’s most promising future leaders in the movement to eliminate educational inequality. We accomplish this by building a highly selective national corps of outstanding recent college graduates – of all academic majors and career interests – who commit to teach in urban and rural public schools in our nation’s lowest-income communities and become lifelong leaders for expanding educational opportunity.”

~ 2 Year Commitment ~

Locations: Many Placements Nationwide

www.teachforamerica.org/

* Volunteers may earn a Masters in Education during service term.

L’Arche USA

“L’Arche communities are places where those with disabilities and those who share life with them live together in a faith-based community. Experience with people with disabilities is not a requirement. For us, some of the most important criteria are an open heart, willingness to learn, commitment to personal growth, and belief in the unique sacredness and value of every individual.”

~ 1 Year Minimum ~

Locations: 16 Communities Nationwide

www.larcheusa.org

* International options also available

Good Shepherd Volunteers

“Good Shepherd Volunteers collaborates with the Sisters of the Good Shepherd to provide full-time volunteers with the opportunity to work in social service ministries and to use their God-given talents serving women, adolescents, and children affected by poverty, violence, and neglect. During their time of service, volunteers focus on the four tenets of Social Justice, Community, Simplicity, and Spirituality.”

~ 1 Year Minimum Commitment ~

Locations: Many Placements Nationwide

www.gsvolunteers.org/

* International options also available

Francis Corps

"The mission of Francis Corps is Gospel Service. As brother and sisters to those in need, Francis Corps volunteers share their gifts and talents in a year-long, faith-based community in the spirit of Saints Francis and Clare of Assisi. Volunteers help in several aid agencies such as a food pantry, a neighborhood shelter, a community center, a youth center, and more."

~ 1 Year Commitment ~

Locations: Syracuse, New York

www.franciscorps.org

* International option also available

Red Cloud Indian School System

"The Red Cloud Volunteers are men and women who serve in the ministry of education on the Pine Ridge Reservation in the Jesuit-sponsored tradition of service to the Oglala Lakota people. Through personal experience with the Lakota people, traditional Lakota values and the struggles faced by the Lakota people, the volunteer seeks the integration of one's life and faith with a call to labor for justice for all."

~ 1 Year Commitment ~

Location: Pine Ridge, South Dakota

www.redcloudschool.org

* Volunteers qualify for
AmeriCorps Education Award

"Many would like the poor to keep on saying that it is God's will for them to live that way.

But it is not God's will for some to have everything and others to have nothing. That cannot be of God. God's will is that all his children be happy."

- Archbishop Oscar Romero

"Full human liberation, for the poor and for us all, lies in the development of communities of solidarity at the grass-roots and nongovernmental as well as the political level, where we can all work together towards total human development."

~ 34th Congregation of the Society of Jesus

Cristo Rey Volunteers

"The Cristo Rey Network™ is a national association of high schools that provide quality, Catholic, college preparatory education to urban young people who live in communities with limited educational options. Member schools utilize a longer school day and year, academic assistance, counseling, and smaller class sizes to prepare students with a broad range of academic abilities for college. Volunteers perform a variety of services including teaching, working in campus ministry, retreat planning, and providing counseling services."

~ 2 Year Commitment ~

Locations: Nationwide

www.cristoreynetwork.org

National Farm Workers Service Center

"NFWSC builds and preserves quality affordable housing in concentrated Latino and underserved communities. We use education, child development, affordable housing, economic development, health care and financial services as tools to create a better future for these communities. Volunteers help provide after-school and summer learning activities, teaching youth and teens to make good choices and develop a positive attitude about learning."

~ 1 Year Commitment ~

Locations: Arizona, California, New Mexico, Texas

www.nfwshousing.org

* Volunteers qualify for an educational stipend

Post-Graduate Volunteer Opportunities

United States
(Domestic)



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Service Learning
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