



## **Nonprofit Servant Leadership Program—DC Service Corps**

### **About DC Service Corps:**

[DC Service Corps](#) is a direct service and leadership development program in Washington, DC in which volunteers are placed with partner non-profit agencies to work directly with marginalized individuals and communities cultivating relationships of peace and justice. Leadership training, professional development, mentoring, faith formation, and educational seminars inspired by Catholic Social Thought round out this transformative experience. DC Service Corps members live together with other Franciscan Mission Service volunteers in an intentional community—sharing dinners together, gathering for prayer, participating in fellowship activities, and living out the Gospel mission of "service and action for a more just and humane world." **The upcoming 12-month term of service will be August 22, 2016 – July 31, 2017.**

### **About Franciscan Mission Service:**

As Franciscan followers of Christ, we build partnerships with Catholic women and men who are inspired to live and serve in solidarity with economically poor communities across the globe – and to bring the transformative experience of mission to North American societies and churches as advocates for peace, justice, reconciliation and care of creation.

### **Support Provided:**

- Fully-furnished private bedroom in an intentional living community
- Monthly living stipend and health insurance
- Coverage of daily transportation costs to and from service sites

### **Benefits—Professional:**

- Gaining an understanding of the inner-workings of a nonprofit as well as your own core skills, abilities and interests that can be applied to the non-profit sector
- Professional development and network building: “one-on-ones” with nonprofit leaders and monthly mentorship meetings

### **Benefits—Spiritual:**

- Two retreats during the service year
- Quarterly facilitated community reflections
- Daily community prayer
- Spiritual direction

### **Other Perks:**

- Metro-accessible location. Live within walking distance of multiple bus lines and the Brookland-CUA station. It’s only a 10-minute train ride to downtown DC.
- Being in community with servant-hearted young adults passionate about living out their Catholic faith

### **Requirements:**

- Be between the ages of 21 and 35
- Desire to actively develop your servant leadership skills to address the world's needs
- Demonstrated commitment to service, peace and social justice
- Demonstrated commitment to spiritual development; openness to the Franciscan charism
- Have a desire to engage in the FMS intentional living community

# DC Service Corps: Current Placement Openings August 22, 2016 – July 31, 2017

## Vendor Community Manager and Workshop Liaison

### **Position Description:**

The Vendor Community Manager and Workshop Liaison volunteer will serve with [Street Sense](#), a DC newspaper focusing on homelessness and poverty issues which “elevates voices on poverty issues and creates economic opportunities for people experiencing homelessness.” The responsibilities of the Vendor Community Manager and Workshop Liaison include:

- Facilitating new orientations and monthly community meetings for vendors (individuals experiencing homelessness that comprise the Street Sense sales team)
- Orienting, managing, and supervising a team of volunteers
- Facilitating group activities and oversee daily operations of newspaper sales department
- Supporting curriculum of creative workshops and vendor programming
- Providing logistical and capacity support to the Media Center workshops and its Artists in Residence
- Identifying support for vulnerable vendors in partnership with a social worker
- Contributing occasionally to newspaper and social media content
- Assisting with community outreach initiatives and cultivating community partnerships

### **Qualifications:**

- Demonstrated ability to work with diverse communities, especially people experiencing homelessness
- Organized and solution-orientated with effective communication skills. Reflective listening and group facilitation experience is a plus.
- Ability to compassionately manage vendor community while upholding agency policies
- Computer proficiency and ability to learn online newspaper sales system
- Ability to pass a background check
- Social work, communications, or counseling background helpful, but not required

## How to Apply

Application forms and submission instructions are available on the Franciscan Mission Service [website](#). We are still accepting applications to fill remaining positions for the 2016-2017 service year. **The final application deadline is August 21, 2016.**

*\* We are accepting applications until the original start date of the program. DC Service Corps volunteers that are selected for the 2016-2017 service year but are not able to begin on the original start date of 8/22/16 will start prior September 20, 2016. We will not accept applications beyond the deadline listed above and all volunteers must begin the service year prior to 9/20/16.*

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