**DC Service Corps**

**2018-2019 Program Year Application**

**I. PERSONAL INFORMATION**

**Name:** Click here to enter text. **Application Date:** Click here to enter text.

**Address:** Click here to enter text.

**Email Address:** Click here to enter text. **Birthdate:** Click here to enter text.

**Phone Number:** Click here to enter text. **Age:** Click here to enter text.

**How did you hear about DC Service Corps?** Click here to enter text.

**Of the sample DCSC positions listed on our website, which 2-3 interest you the most?**

Click here to enter text.

**II. SERVICE, MOTIVATION, AND PREPARATION**

(We invite you to write as much or as little as is needed to best answer each question and give FMS staff/site partners as sense of who you are. As a guide, we suggest limiting each response to 20 lines.)

*Note: Responses in this section will first be reviewed by FMS staff. If you are interested in a position with a site partner, your answers may also be shared with the staff of partner organizations who work in volunteer placement. Please take this into account when responding, focusing on what makes you a particularly good fit with the organization(s) in which you’re interested and the needs of the specific position(s).*

**For Site Partners and Franciscan Mission Service:**

1. What are your personal and professional motivations for engaging in a year of service? In what ways do you want to grow during your time with DC Service Corps? Click here to enter text.
2. What do you like best about yourself? What are specific qualities and/or experiences that prepare you for a year of service? Click here to enter text.
3. The following is the Franciscan Mission Service organizational mission statement:

*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.*

How do your personal values relate to this mission statement? What attracts you to being part of Franciscan Mission Service, either by serving directly with economically poor communities or by serving in the FMS office, where service to these communities is the end-goal of our work? Click here to enter text.

1. What is your philosophy of service? What does “success” in service look like? Click here to enter text.
2. Identify, describe, and reflect on three social justice issues in the U.S. or world that you are particularly passionate about. Click here to enter text.
3. Identify and reflect on the impact of privilege in your upbringing and current life. How has your experience of privilege, lack of privilege, or both brought you to where you are today as a person considering a year of service? How would this experience contribute to your work/ministry and community life during a year with DC Service Corps? Click here to enter text.
4. Please add anything else not reflected in your application or resume that you would like FMS and potential site partners to know about you. Click here to enter text.

**III. SPIRITUAL LIFE, EMOTIONAL WELLBEING, SIMPLICITY, AND COMMUNITY LIVING**

*Note: Responses in this section will only be reviewed by FMS staff.*

1. What are your greatest concerns about engaging in a year of service? Click here to enter text.
2. How do you know when you are on the edge of burnout? Click here to enter text.
3. How does engaging in service factor into your spiritual journey? Click here to enter text.
4. Describe your spiritual life. How do you intentionally care for it personally and within a community? How would you contribute to the spiritual life of Casa San Salvador, the intentional living community where all DC Service Corps members live during their terms of service? Click here to enter text.
5. While living in community, DC Service Corps volunteers participate in many shared activities such as shared meals, prayer, and faith formation sessions. What excites you about living in an intentional community? Is there anything that you anticipate would be difficult for you? Click here to enter text.
6. Describe a time when you lived with others (outside of your family). What was this experience like for you? What were your greatest contributions to the community and what were some challenges for you? What are your needs when living with others? Click here to enter text.
7. What does “living simply” mean to you? How will you approach living on a stipend of $350 per month? Click here to enter text.
8. What are some of your interests or hobbies? Click here to enter text.
9. What other programs are you considering, if any? If you have applied to another program, what stage are you at in their application process? Click here to enter text.
10. Please add anything else you would like to share with FMS specifically. Click here to enter text.

**III. PROGRAM EXPECTATIONS**

Please initial each of the following:

Click here to enter text. I understand that the Nonprofit Servant Leadership Program—DC Service Corps is an **11-month commitment** to both Franciscan Mission Service and a local nonprofit in Washington, D.C. lasting from **August 26, 2018 to August 2, 2019**.

Click here to enter text. I understand that I would be provided a private room in a shared community house. I would be expected to participate as an active member of the Casa San Salvador intentional living community, which includes, but is not limited to: sharing in meals, prayers, chores, and hospitality to houseguests.

Click here to enter text. I understand that the stipend is $350 per month and that medical insurance is provided. Franciscan Mission Service can provide proof of my participation in a full-time volunteer program, but I am responsible for working with my loan lender to coordinate loan deferment or forbearance, if needed.

Click here to enter text. I understand that while I would be in a position to learn and gain new skills, I would also be expected to fully participate in and contribute to the work of the FMS office or my assigned service placement organization.

Click here to enter text. I understand that as part of my growth and development as a DC Service Corps member, I would be expected to attend or participate in activities outside of the traditional work day/week.

Click here to enter text. I understand that as part of this program I would be expected to take an active role in my personal, spiritual, and professional development. I would be expected to set goals and participate in regular evaluations of this growth.

Click here to enter text. I understand that I may have to undergo a background check and/or medical screening in order to comply with a service site’s volunteer requirements.

Click here to enter text. I understand that during my year of service, my primary commitment is to the DC Service Corps. I would not take on other commitments (such as part-time employment) that would interfere with my ability to fully participate in my service or community life.

**IV. PERSONAL STATEMENT (to be read by FMS staff only)**

In a separate document, describe your core values and identity, paying particular attention to the people and experiences that have had a significant impact on you and your faith journey. Please limit your response to two double-space pages.

**V. RÉSUMÉ**

In a separate document, summarize and highlight your education, professional experience, leadership roles, volunteer work, skills (including languages), and anything else that would make you an ideal candidate for this program and the service position(s) that interest you. This detailed résumé may be longer than one page and will be shared with potential placement sites.

**VI. TRANSCRIPTS**

Please send transcripts for all undergraduate and graduate work to date to Franciscan Mission Service (see address below). Unofficial transcripts are permitted.

**VII. INTERVIEWS AND NEXT STEPS**

* Upon approval of your initial application, Franciscan Mission Service will schedule an interview with you. This interview is typically done on the phone or via Skype during business hours. Applicants in the DC area may be invited to interview in-person.
* After the initial interview, FMS staff may recommend that you enter the next stage of interview process, which includes a community life interview with the FMS House Manager and interviews with site partners, if applicable to your area of interest.
* At any stage of the application and interview process, FMS may ask follow-up questions or request an additional phone/Skype conversation.

**VIII. REFERENCES**

Upon approval of your initial application, Franciscan Mission Service will send you forms for your five references to fill out and return.

* **Three professional references** – Supervisors from past work experiences, even if it is from a summer job or an internship. One of these may be a professor. Submitted professional reference forms will be shared with potential placement sites.
* **One pastoral reference** – Someone who has journeyed with you in your faith life or mentored you in a ministerial capacity. For example, a parish priest, campus minister, spiritual director, etc. This pastoral reference will *not* be shared with site partners.
* **One personal reference** – Someone who is not related to you that can speak to your character. Ideally, this is a roommate or someone who has lived with you. You may also choose to ask a friend, coworker, or someone with whom you have volunteered. This personal reference will *not* be shared with potential placement sites.

**All application materials should be sent to:**

**meghan@franciscanmissionservice.org**

**Questions about the application process should be sent to:**

**info@franciscanmissionservice.org**