Detroit, General Information

WHEN ARE WE GOING and WHAT WILL WE DO?

This Martin Luther King weekend January 18-20, 2020 (Saturday morning – Monday evening), students from the Sheil Catholic Center will have the opportunity to travel to Detroit to see and experience a city in transition. This service-learning trip will use the fundamental tenets of Catholic Social Teaching to enter into a greater understanding and appreciation for the grassroots work being done in Detroit. We will explore the effects of the large scale redevelopment of Detroit's downtown (the 7.2 square miles, redevelopment initiative) and on Detroit's urban communities outside the 7.2 square miles, while framing our experience in valuing the human person, the dignity of work, care for creation, and a regard for the call to community and participation.

As in past years, we will visit organizations and meet leaders in the community that are making a difference in the larger Detroit community. Some of the organizations that we look to visit are; Precinct 9, Detroit Police Department, Pope Francis Center – a Jesuit ministry to those who are experiencing homelessness, Attending Mass and a visit to campus ministry at Wayne State University, and working with AmeriCorps on Martin Luther King Day – cleaning up neighborhoods to create “safe passages” for school children.

We will also explore the cultural and historical aspects of Detroit, a rich history of industry and innovation.

HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?

Students are responsible to pay all fees incurred by their trip. The basic cost is $225.00 which includes transportation, food, and lodging. Students are responsible for additional costs such as spending money.

Payment in full is required before you leave. A $50.00 deposit is due with your application if you are not selected for the trip, this deposit will be returned to you. Scholarships are available for those who qualify—scholarships are credits given off your total cost. The final payment of $175.00 is due Thursday January 9th, 2020.

For more information, please contact student leader, Mary Grace Ramsay, marygraceramsay2022@u.northwestern.edu or campus minister, Tim Higgins, t-higgins@u.northwestern.edu
APPLICATION FORM
Sheil Catholic Center Mission Trip to Detroit
January 18th – January 20th, 2020
Saturday morning – Monday evening
Applications are due by Monday Dec. 9th

Please complete the enclosed application, along with $50 deposit, and return to:
Tim Higgins, Sheil Catholic Center, 2110 Sheridan Road, Evanston IL 60201

Space is limited. Applications will be processed in the order in which they are received.
Total Cost of the Trip is $225.00 which covers transportation, lodging and food.

Legal Name: (On License or passport) ____________________________________________

Address: ______________________________________________________________________

Date of Birth: ___________ ______________________________________________________________________

Cell Phone: _________________________________________________________________

Email: _______________________________________________________________________

Previous volunteer and/or Service Trip experience (not a pre-requisite):
Provide a short description of any previous volunteer experience.

________________________________________________________
Signature

Date
Questions: (Answer the questions in the space provided. Attach a separate sheet if necessary.)

1. Why are you interested in volunteering in Detroit at this point in your life?

2. What do you hope to learn from this experience?

3. What strengths do you bring to the group?

4. What other expectations do you have?