

Service-Learning at Saint Joseph's University



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Transportation	Approximate Travel Time by Car: 30 Minutes
Clearances Required	Criminal Background Check

Description of Agency: The mission of the Project H.O.M.E. community is to empower persons to break the cycle of homelessness and poverty, to address structural causes of poverty, and to enable all of us to attain our fullest potential as individuals and as members of the broader society. By providing technology and computer education, as well as youth academic enrichment and art education, the following goals will be achieved: Children will read at grade level, or above; Children will achieve or exceed their grade levels in core academic areas; Children will graduate from high school and pursue higher education or employment at a livable wage utilizing their skills in technology; Adults and children will become eligible for higher paying jobs; and Technology and art will be integrated into the learning and life of neighborhood residents thereby expanding and strengthening the community

Student Role in Agency: Facilitating groups that support Project HOME residents (homeless history, mental health diagnoses) meet self-defined goals. Ex: mindfulness, writing, financial literacy, art, etc.

Unique Features of Agency: 38,000 square foot facility. It is the centerpiece of Project H.O.M.E.'s revitalization strategy for the St. Elizabeth/Diamond Street sections of North Philadelphia. Programs are tailored to help the residents of the community - children, youth, adults and families - move towards greater prosperity by increasing their educational and employment opportunities through comprehensive technology and literacy instruction.

Orientation and Requirements: SJU and Project HOME policies require volunteers to complete a Criminal Background Check clearance. More information on how to complete these clearances is available at www.sju.edu/servicelearningstudents and at Placement Awareness Training.

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