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MISSION

The Agape Service Project fosters service, community, and prayer as participants encounter Christ and uphold the dignity of our migrant brothers and sisters.



GOALS

- To serve the migrant community of Whatcom County by providing food, clothing, and community support with the ultimate goal of building personal relationships with those we serve
- To teach participants about Catholic social justice, especially in response to issues affecting the migrant community
- To inspire and encourage participants to continue answering the call to service throughout their lives
- To create a space where participants can grow in their faith and meet Jesus through prayer, people, and service
- To do everything with agape love

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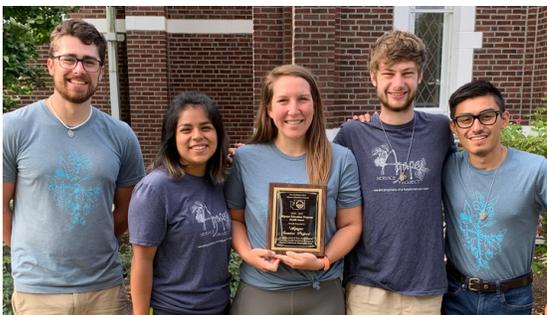
WHAT IS THE AGAPE SERVICE PROJECT?

A Christ-centered service program that empowers middle and high school students and adults to enter into direct, mutually beneficial relationships with the migrant farmworker community in Whatcom County.

Our ultimate goal is to build personal relationships with the farmworker families. Our relational social services include a weekly food bank, increasing access to health and human services, providing educational and recreational activities for children of farmworkers, college scholarships for farmworkers pursuing higher education, and supporting just farms with volunteer labor.

Groups of middle and high school youth come to Whatcom County for week-long, faith-filled service-learning experiences. In 2022, our goal is to provide as much in-person formation & service as we can.

Participants learn about issues affecting migrant farmworkers, human dignity, and why and how we as Catholics are called to serve. Through a week of solidarity, all are challenged to meet and serve Christ in every person with sacrificial love.



THE STAFF MAKE IT ALL HAPPEN:

Agape's summer staff is a team of passionate, faith-filled, and well-trained young adults who work together to coordinate and plan the entire program and operate all social services.

This includes the programming for youth groups: planning for the summer, facilitating sessions of prayer and reflection, and leading the service activities.

It also includes: operating all of the social services for the farmworker community, service to local farms, volunteer management, and aspects of program management (ex: social media & donor relations).



Summer
2022



POSSIBLE WEEK SNAPSHOT

Sunday: prep for week, groups arrive in afternoon, intro/community building, BBQ & activities at camp for farmworkers

Monday: Mass or Adoration, volunteer farm work, delivery of food boxes & activities for kids at farmworker housing

Tuesday: volunteer farm work, simulation dinner activity, activities at camps for farmworkers, Mass

Wednesday (Food Bank Day): Adoration, transport food bank supplies & food, set up & run the food bank

Thursday: advocacy work, concluding session/Mass, groups leave, admin tasks

Everyday: prayer, formation & reflection

IMPORTANT DATES - 2022

Spring Quarter: Weekly training meetings (2hrs/wk) with all staff

*meeting dates will be scheduled after reviewing all staff members' spring schedules

April: 3 hours on Sunday of choice: Fundraiser at Flatstick Pub

May 29: Ski 2 Sea Fundraiser (fundraiser for food bank) - tentative

June 13-17: Agape Staff Retreat & Preparation Week

Program Weeks (7): June 19 - August 4

August 8-12: Agape Staff Retreat & Wrap-up Week



SUMMER - WEEKLY HOURS

Tentative Agape Staff Hours:

Sun: noon-9pm

Mon: 8am-9pm

Tues: 6am-9pm

Wed: 8am-9pm

Thurs: 8am-2pm

(Friday & Saturday off)

*hours are subject to change



AGAPE SERVICE PROJECT - ASSISTANT PROGRAM COORDINATOR (Year 1)

The two Assistant Program Coordinators will work together, under the leadership and support of the Program Coordinators (Year 2s) and Agape Director.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Work to accomplish the program mission and goals
- Create a spiritually-focused and service-centered environment and experience
- Build relationships while working with the farmworker families, fellow staff, youth, and adult leaders
- Engage in self-reflection and growth in areas such as missionary discipleship, servant leadership, solidarity, and being an agent for social justice
- Plan and implement the service & formation experience for youth groups including reflections, prayers, activities, & service projects
- Help logistically operate each week (shop for food and supplies, prepare meals, create documents, manage social media, donor relations, etc.)
- Organize and operate the Agape Food Bank

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Be grounded in the Catholic faith
- Have a servant's heart
- Be able to work well with and lead a wide range of ages, from youth to adults
- Be able to teach and lead by example
- Have a passion for social justice and desire to build community with local farmworker families
- Have a demonstrated commitment to service, via projects, experiences, etc.
- Have leadership experience
- Be able to work well under pressure
- Be flexible, teachable, and willing to grow in all areas
- Be efficient and a self-starter
- Bilingual Spanish-English is preferred

This position is for at least 2 summers, you must be able to meet this condition to be considered.

Agape Assistant Program Coordinators will receive compensation of \$4,500 for the entire summer (divided over 9 weeks: prep week, 7 program weeks, and wrap-up week). In addition, lunches and some dinners throughout the program are covered.

Following Archdiocese of Seattle policy, proof of vaccination is required for this position. Additionally, regular rapid testing during the summer may be required.

With the submission of a cover letter and resume, you confirm that you have read the expectations of the Agape Assistant Program Coordinator for which you are applying including the specific dates for meetings, trainings, activities, and summer programming, and the two-year commitment. You understand what is expected and will make arrangements to be at all dates and times listed.

Cover letter and resume must be submitted **no later than 3pm on February 23, 2022**. You will be contacted to set up an interview once your cover letter and resume are submitted.

Please email cover letter and resume to:

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