

Program Opportunities

Are you looking for:

- ◆ An opportunity to serve and learn in the heart of Washington, D.C.?
- ◆ A program that explores the connections between faith and justice?
- ◆ A fun, informative, and valuable program for your church youth group or congregation?

The Steinbruck Center staff will work with your group to design relevant, meaningful, and effective programs.



We offer:

- ◆ One- to seven-day service-learning programs for youth.
- ◆ One- to three-day programs for congregations to explore how they can better care for the vulnerable in their own communities.
- ◆ A chance to serve at N Street Village while learning directly from the homeless women who stay there.
- ◆ Service opportunities and meetings with organizations working on behalf of the homeless and poor.
- ◆ Trips to Capitol Hill to speak with your representatives about homelessness.
- ◆ Inexpensive lodging at Luther Place Church—a safe, clean environment within walking distance of the White House.

A Faith-Based Approach

Let mutual love continue.

Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.

~Hebrews 13:1-2

“We, who in our magnanimity were presuming to ‘save the homeless,’ we’re saved by the homeless! Salvation has come to our household in the presence of ‘the least of these’—our new sisters and brothers, Jesus’ own family.

“Our Luther Place priority must always be for those who have no place, offering the Bread of Life or a cup of living water to the strangers who happen by or seek us out, striving always to become the living invitation to enter into the eternal hospitality of Jesus’ Kingdom.

- John Steinbruck, Pastor of Luther Place Church (1970-1997) and cofounder of N Street Village

Learn about the nationally recognized ministries of Luther Place Church while serving with organizations committed to justice throughout Washington, D. C.

Contact the Steinbruck Center Today

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Steinbruck Center for Urban Studies

A Ministry of Luther Place and N Street Village, Inc.



Programs for Church Youth Groups and Congregations

An Interfaith Ministry of Justice, Hospitality, and Learning

Our Mission

The *Steinbruck Center for Urban Studies* offers opportunities for church youth to serve in an urban environment and learn about the complex causes of homelessness while exploring the connections between their faith and service. Located in Washington, D.C., the Steinbruck Center is a ministry of Luther Place Memorial Church and a partner with N Street Village, Inc., an interfaith program for homeless and formerly homeless women.

The Steinbruck Center's objective is to introduce groups to the work of Luther Place and N Street Village while orienting them to the larger issues of homelessness and urban poverty. It also offers programs for church congregations that want to learn from Luther Place's work with N



Street Village. Through service projects, speakers, simulations, collaboration with women from N Street Village, and a study of Luther Place and N Street Village, the Steinbruck Center seeks to help youth and church congregations

respond to the biblical call to "do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with your God."

"The work you do is very important--it changes people's lives!"

Pastor Kate Walker
Clergy Peer Group

"We were very impressed and hope to bring our youth back in the future."

Pastor Ed DeVore
Friedens Lutheran Church

A History of Hospitality



N Street Village, Inc. is a non-profit social services community founded in 1973 by Luther Place Church in response to the destruction from the civil rights riots and the decentralization of mental health institutions in Washington, D.C.

N Street Village is a caring community that provides a spectrum of services to meet the needs of homeless and extremely low-income women as they move to stable housing and self-sufficiency. Every day, N Street Village provides food, clothing, showers, transitional and permanent housing, mental and physical health care, and support to re-enter the workforce. They presently serve over six-hundred women in northwest Washington, D.C.

Hostel Accommodations

The Steinbruck Center also offers beds in a clean, safe, and inexpensive hostel at Luther Place Church.

The hostel includes:

- ◆ 20 beds
- ◆ Showers
- ◆ Air conditioning
- ◆ Kitchenette with refrigerator, sink, utensils, and microwave
- ◆ Easy access to restaurants, supermarkets, and the Metro
- ◆ A convenient location one mile north of the White House and six blocks south of the historic U Street District



Sample Schedule

Sunday

- 9:00 am Worship at N Street Village
- 10:30 am Orientation and the story of Luther Place and N Street Village
- 11:30 am Tour of N Street Village
- 12:30 pm Lunch
- 1:30 pm *Locating Ourselves Within the Problem of Homelessness*
- 2:30 pm *The Cracks homelessness simulation*
- 4:00 pm Free time to explore the city

Monday

- 9:00 am Work with homeless preschoolers at Bright Beginnings developmental child-care center
- 2:00 pm Talk with Affordable Housing Activist Network
- 3:30 pm Panel discussion with women from N Street Village
- 4:30 pm Free time
- 7:00 pm *Jesus and "The Least of These"*
Bible Study on Matthew 25:31-45

Tuesday

- 9:00 am Community park revitalization with Washington Parks and People
- 3:00 pm *"Doing Justice, Loving Kindness"*
The Two Feet of Social Action
- 4:00 pm Program wrap-up
- 5:00 pm Departure

For more scheduling and program options, please visit:

www.lutherplace.org/steinbruckcenter