

Youth Mission Trips Information Sheet

High School Mission Trip

Where: New Orleans, LA

Dates: June 21-27, 2020

Cost: \$1,078

Program Costs for 6 nights: \$560

Average Plane Ticket Cost: \$406-518

Middle School Mission Trip

Where: Beckley, WV

Dates: July 12-18, 2020

Costs: \$800

A deposit of \$100 and the Registration Form are needed by Sunday, December 1 to secure a spot. Please make check payable to "St. Mary's Episcopal Church."

What is included in the trip cost?

- Meals
- Project Materials and Resources
- Program Resources
- Evening Activities
- Lodging
- Staffing – Recruitment & Training
- Additional Day Activity
- Transportation

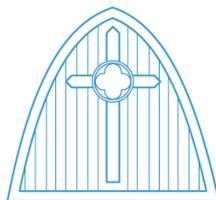
If the cost of the trip should cause a hardship on your family, please contact Emily Bruch or The Rev. David May to find out more about scholarship opportunities.

Why YouthWorks?

- YouthWorks provides Christ-centered mission trips for more than 20,000 youth and adults in over 50 communities across the U.S. and beyond. They have been creating mission trips for over 25 years. YouthWorks loves teenagers and knows these experiences can be a powerful discipleship tool for youth ministry. They believe that God is at work in the life of every youth, even in ways that we can't see, and our responsibility is to help create an environment where the Holy Spirit can continue that work.

Where do we stay?

- Groups are housed in a local church, school or community building



Who will we be serving?

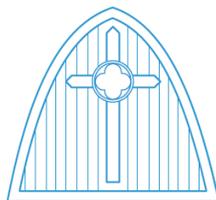
- We work alongside members from the community to identify those in the greatest need. Possible community partners include local churches, tribal councils, local government agencies and other key members of the community in which we are serving.

What type of projects are offered?

- *Service Partners:* It is our privilege to partner with organizations already at work serving the needs of people within the community. We want to help these organizations do what they do every day of the year by providing them with volunteers. Our partnerships include working with the elderly, children, individuals with special needs, people who are homeless or in transition, or serving through hands-on labor with food banks, community gardens or neighborhood revitalization projects. YouthWorks places a priority on both relational service ministry opportunities and serving behind the scenes through manual labor; many YouthWorks participants will experience a little of both.
- *Work Projects:* Work Projects are a tangible way for our youth to serve the community through the painting of homes, yard work and other simple projects. Our goal for Work Projects is to create a meaningful work experience where youth can make a difference with their skills and abilities while also building relationships with families and neighbors.

When will we find out what we will be doing specifically?

- We will not know specifically the service project details on the ground until the Sunday night of our trip. This is due to the ever-evolving needs of the communities we will be serving.



About New Orleans, LA

Work alongside local organizations meeting the physical and social needs of diverse populations.

With much of the relief and recovery work from Hurricane Katrina complete in New Orleans, we've turned our attention to caring for the people of the city. Our desire is to bring hope and restoration to their everyday lives. A big part of this includes partnering with children's programs as well as serving seniors and adults with special needs. In the evenings, your group will have the chance to experience New Orleans' culture, history and people as you explore the French Quarter and attend a local church service and participate in a community cookout. YouthWorks has partnered with this community since 2001.

Serving in New Orleans

- Partner with local organizations to meet ongoing needs in the community.
- Students may serve all or part of the week at a food shelf, clothing distribution center, soup kitchen, children's program or elder care facility.
- Groups should plan for a cost of \$20 per vehicle for parking in the French Quarter.

About Beckley, WV

Learn about Appalachian culture, serve through home repair and partner with local organizations to meet ongoing needs in the community.

In addition to serving through work projects, such as painting and yard beautification, you will also partner with organizations such as Energy Express, School of Harmony and the Salvation Army. On one evening, your group will visit the Exhibition Coal Mine, including an old-time town (complete with a Company Store and coal museum) and an underground coal mine tour. Other evening activities include exploring a state park, attending a local youth-led worship service and helping host a community cookout. YouthWorks has partnered with this community since 2018.

Serving in Beckley

- Partner with local organizations to meet ongoing needs in the community.
- Serve through painting, cleaning, yard work or other simple work projects.
- Because of the relational nature of service, students may remain at the same service sites through the week or switch between service partners.