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LDI THRIVES ON PARTNERSHIPS

WIN-WIN RELATIONSHIPS WITH ORGANIZATIONS AND PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY WHO LIVE OUT THE LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE THAT UDM ENVISIONS FOR OUR GRADUATES. FROM TIME TO TIME, OUR WORK WITH SOME OF THESE PARTNERS BECOMES SO ESSENTIAL TO US THAT WE FORMALIZE IT BY ADDING THEM TO THIS PAGE.



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**City Year
Detroit**

City Year
engages
Americorps
and other
volunteers –
17 to 24
year-olds

who
volunteer a
year of their
lives to
serve school
kids across
the country
through
staffing of
tutoring
centers and
after-school
programs in
city schools.
City Year
Detroit
relates well
to LDI's
"awareness
model": see
– feel – help
– change.
And now on
Saturdays
from January
– May, our
Leadership –
in – Service
program
collaborates
in CYD's
"Young
Heroes" and
"City

Heroes”
programs of
leadership
and service
for middle
and high
school
students.

For the past
four years,
LDI and City
Year Detroit
have been
developing a
natural
synergy. This
has resulted
in a number
of
partnerships.
John Daniels
has spoken
often to
welcome the
17 - 24 year
old
volunteers
who spend a
year in
service to
the youth of
our city, and
to send
them off,

too. Young Heroes and City Heroes is a Service-Learning partnership with Kathleen Zimmerman-Oster's Psychology of Leadership courses this January, hosting 60 middle and high-school students for service and leadership development each Saturday in our Ballroom. Each Spring, City Year Detroit brings 200 elementary school kids for the end of their Spring Break Camp when the schools are closed for Spring Break. This year John Daniels was recognized in a big way as the 2005 graduate who completed their year. The Young Heroes awarded him their official bright yellow City

Year Young Heroes shell. But he was completely surprised a few weeks later to be honored with City Year Detroit's highest recognition, their official "Red Bomber Jacket" awarded annually to a person who Penny Bailer and her gang see as an honorary City Year Corps member.

Visit them at:

<http://www.cityyear.org/detroit/>

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Sts. Peter & Paul Warming Center

“We want you to know why we homeless folk are so grateful to Brother Jim and the people here at Sts. Peter & Paul. This is a place where when we come here, we’re welcome.” This welcome message shared at the Warming Center’s annual Fall Open House was the seed of LDI’s widely respected Shelter & Home Initiative, a focus on homelessness that begins with service and leads toward real change. Brother Jim Horgan, S.J. has helped build a community that cares for those we so easily forget.

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Pauls
Warming
Center:

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Gesu Parish and School

What is a
diverse and
committed
community
like? From
the
McNichols
Campus we
don't need
to look far.
Anita Sevier
is the
Volunteer
Coordinator
for Gesu
School,
where her
three kids
are students
or grads.

She models Leadership and Service in a very tangible way, as initiator of the Gesu Community Green, a beautiful, kid-centered park on what was once a typically worn out urban lot. She also matches our students with service relationships with children, and was a key in Big Brothers Big Sisters making Gesu a new site. And Sister Grace Keane OSF is key to this partnership,

too, through Gesu's Revolving Homeless Shelter and Crossroads Soup Kitchen programs, among other parish-based service opportunities related to the Shelter & Home Initiative.

Visit them at:

<http://www.gesu.com/>

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Mercy Volunteer Corps and Jesuit Volunteer Corps

Mercy Volunteer Corps and Jesuit Volunteer Corps are great ways to spend a year after graduation, growing into life through service, community, simple living, and prayer. For retired folks, Ignatian Lay Volunteer Corps involves two days per week of volunteer service, and a monthly opportunity to stop

and consider what it means in your life.

Visit the Mercy Volunteer Corps at:

<http://www.mercyvolunteers.org/>

Visit the Jesuit Volunteer Corps at:

<http://www.jesuitvolunteers.org/>

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HAND

HAND, the Homeless Action Network of Detroit, is a partner without which the Shelter & Home Initiative would be impossible. This organization of those who serve the homeless in Detroit, Hamtramck, and Highland Park is inspiring in its persistence and advocacy. HAND members are the hands and feet and minds and hearts serving the poorest of the poor. Their agencies provide course-relevant direct

service to
more than
1000
students
annually.
UDM Alumni
are notable
among their
leaders.

The
Homeless
Action
Network of
Detroit
(HAND)
serves as
the
Continuum
of Care
(CoC)
planning and
coordinating
body in
collaboration
with the City
of Detroit's
Department
of Human
Services -
Homeless
Coordination
Division
(DHS) for

the cities of
Detroit,
Highland
Park and
Hamtramck.
LDI Director
John Daniels
was named
to HAND
Board of
Directors
this July.
Candace
Williams,
HAND
President,
told John at
the Michigan
Conference
on
Affordable
Housing,
"We want
you for your
passion!"
The Shelter
& Home
Initiative has
been of
growing
interest to
HAND
members
during the

past year, resulting in this powerful partnership. Learn more about HAND on their website, <http://www.HANDetroit.org>.

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Student Volunteer Center

The Studne Volunteer Center is a group of students working on campus to provide people with Service Learning courses, athletes, people within groups and organizations, or any other persons with service projects in and around the area of Detroit. For more information, please visit their website at

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These partners are merely examples of the scores of continuous relationships we enjoy in metropolitan Detroit. Watch for more.

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