

Close to Campus Service Opportunities

These are possible service opportunities that are close to campus identified by the Institute for Leadership and Service, in order by agency. UDM students, faculty, and colleagues are encouraged to follow up with our contact listed for an agency. Please report updates to TheInstitute@udmercy.edu

Detroit Black Community Food Security Network

<http://detroitblackfoodsecurity.org>

Promotes urban agriculture, co-operative food buying and healthy eating habits.

Contact: *Mr. Malik Yakini*

*11000 West McNichols Road -
Suite 103*

Executive Director

Detroit

313-345-3663

myakini@dbcfsn.org

Office Support

Help with behind the scenes work in the office

Detroit Mercy Student Conversation Partners

Contact: *Lara Wasner*

4001 W. Mc Nichols Rd.

Director

Detroit

wasnerle@udmercy.edu

Detroit Mercy Student Conversation Partners

International and US students come together to make friends and to learn about one another's cultures. This can help the international students feel welcomed and in some cases help them practice speaking English.

Detroit Prevention and Awareness in the Community

<https://www.facebook.com/DPACDetroitMercy/?fref=ts>

Student-run organization at the University of Detroit Mercy to develop awareness around issues of sexual violence and harassment and domestic violence.

Contact: *Ms. Nina Carlson*

President

810-986-7318

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Sexual Assault Awareness Programs

Volunteers needed for various events that seek to raise awareness about sexual assault and domestic violence

Gesu Elementary School

<http://gesuschool.udmercy.edu/>

Catholic Elementary School with a racially and economically diverse student body across from the UDM McNichols campus.

Contact: *Anita Sevier*

17139 Oak Dr.

Community Outreach Coordinator

Detroit

313-863-4677

Sevier.a@gesudetroit.org

Recess helpers at Gesu School

11:45 - 12:45 weekdays. Engage with school children at recess during the school year.

Students who wish to volunteer must receive training, that will better equip them to work with children. Also must complete "Protecting God's Children" class.

After School Programs at Gesu School

3:30 - 6 (or part of that time) weekdays; engage with students as directed during the school year. Also must complete "Protecting God's Children" class

Tutoring

1 on 1 tutoring of students; Weekdays and times during the school year to be arranged. Long-term commitments only. Also must complete "Protecting God's Children" class

Morning Latchkey at Gesu School

Interact with students during morning latchkey from 7-7:40am weekdays during the school year. Also must complete "Protecting God's Children" class

Interim House

http://www.ywcadetroit.org/ywca_interim_house.htm

Temporary housing and support services for battered women and their children.

Contact: Ms. Emma Peterson

**985 East Jefferson Avenue Suite
101**

President and CEO YMCA of Metro D 313-259-9922 x 203

Detroit

emmaywca@aol.com

Activities with Women and Children in a Domestic Violence Shelter

Assist counselor with activities for children and/or women at a domestic violence shelter (due to sensitive nature of shelter residence, volunteer activities are at the discretion of Event Coordinator). For more information see webpage: <http://www.ywcadetroit.org/help/become-a-volunteer/>

Racquet Up

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

A Detroit youth development program combining squash, academics, community service, and mentoring.

Contact: Jessica Reed

Detroit

313-397-3470

jessica@racquetup.org

RacquetUp Academic Tutor

Tutoring, activities, and squash. Students in grades 5-12. Mon & Wed:3:30-4:40 PM (Homework help only); Tue & Thur: 4:00-6:30 PM; Fri: 1-3:45 PM, 4:00-6:30 PM. Please contact Jessica Reed for volunteer orientation info; desire for semester commitment.

Rx for Reading Detroit

<http://rxreading.org/>

This agency promotes literacy among young students in Detroit by providing free, high-quality children's books and opportunities to read them.

Contact: Dr. Mary-Catherine Harrison PhD
4001 W. McNichols

Director
Detroit

(313) 993-1081

mc.harrison@udmercy.edu

Head Start Reading

Volunteers read out loud to the preschoolers then help them pick out a new book to take home. This is a once-a-week commitment for the semester (typically 10 to 12 weeks total - 60 to 90 minutes a week - 10 to 15 hours). Students can volunteer individually or go in groups of 2 or 3. Access to transportation is required. Volunteers coordinate with Head Start to find a weekly time that works with your schedule.

NOT a Current Option: Peggy's Place Reading

No Service options at Peggy's Place right now. Past info: 16630 Wyoming St; Detroit, MI 48221. Call 313-862-3234 ext 105 <-- this phone number not current.

Painting Little Free Libraries

For volunteers who are artistic, Rx always needs help painting and installig the little free libraries. Contact Dr. Harrison if interested. At mc.harrison@udmercy.edu

Service in the City

<http://www.udmercy.edu/ministry/>

This is a program run by University Ministry to provide service opportunities to students and coordinates transportation.

Contact: Connor Berry
4001 W. McNichols

Jesuit Volunteer
Detroit

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Work with the Homeless

Help at the Pope Francis Center often Saturday mornings from 6:45-12:30. Volunteers serve and clean-up for meals, do laundry, chat with guests, staff the front office and distribute personal care item. Sign up at the Ministry Office in the Student Union (near the bookstore) or contact Ministry with contact info give above.

Summer Preschool

Early Learning Center for ages 6 weeks - 12 years

Contact: Beatrice Watson
3121 W. McNichols

Manager
Detroit

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bea6114@yahoo.com

Interact with Children

Be a reading buddy, help with arts and crafts, play educational games, work with children in the garden, help with mealtime, tutor, or participate with other lessons or activities. Monday - Friday (7am-5:30pm). Ages 6 weeks to 12 years.

Titan Equity Nourish Network (TENN - Formerly Campus Kitchen)

<http://www.udmercy.edu/about/mission-vision/lead-serve/campus-kitchen>

Food rescue, preparation and distribution, composting, food justice program. Safety protocols in place regarding Covid.

Contact: Grace Gamble
4001 W. McNichols Rd

Detroit

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Projects addressing Food Insecurity+

Various projects aimed at reducing food waste and promoting healthy food access.
Volunteer Page URL: <https://linktr.ee/tennetwork>. Email tenn@udmercy.edu if you have questions. NOTE: For NUR 2100, all service MUST be at one Site – and be “Direct Service.”

Lakeridge Village

Help with Food Distribution on Wednesday afternoon 2-5pm, or help prepare a meal on some Saturdays. Sign up online at <https://linktr.ee/tennetwork>. Email tenn@udmercy.edu if you have questions.

UofD Jesuit High School & Academy

www.uofdjesuit.org

Jesuit Boys High School near UDM's McNichols campus with an ethnic and economically diverse student body.

Contact: *Kit Louisell*
8400 S. Cambridge

Director, Learning Center
Detroit

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Kathryn.Louisell@uofdjesuit.org

Tutoring

Tutoring 7-12th graders, Monday-Friday during the school year.

V.I.P. Mentoring

www.vipmentoring.org

Mentoring program for at-risk children and adults.

Contact: *Ms. Niecy Mohammed*
28 West Adams Suite 1310

Director of Operations
Detroit

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Various Opportunities

Engage at Bethune with a with a young person between the ages of 7-14 years old, meet weekly (minimum 1 hour), help to educate career interest and preparedness in urban student, etc.
