

A Quick Overview of CSM in Chicago

Q: Where will you be staying?

A: You will be staying on the campus of North Park University. We are able to rent a two flat building owned by North Park University. This is where you eat, sleep and have occasional down times during the week.

Q: What will you be doing?

A: You will be serving! Each day you are here you will serve at a variety of ministry sites. During the week you will spend the morning with the same children developing relationships with them, and each evening is different; from retirement homes to soup kitchens.

Q: What will CSM be doing?

A: CSM will provide you with a city host (s) according to your group size who will guide you around the city. They will act as a liaison between your group and the ministry sites. They will handle a majority of the logistical issues, and help your group process all that the group is learning in the city.

Brief Itinerary

June 13: Leave for Chicago early afternoon

June 14-17: Serve at various ministry sites in and around downtown Chicago

(See CSM Ministry Site Sampler For Opportunities)

- Experience different local ethnic restaurants
- See the real Chicago

June 18: Serve at main ministry site in the morning

- Return home in the afternoon

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CALVARY CHURCH



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Family Informational Meeting:

When: February 28th, 12:15 P.M.

Where: Outbreak Room

**Chicago
Missions Trip
2010**

June 13th – 18th, 2010



Must be:

- 7th or 8th grade student
- Actively involved in Sunday School
- Able to attend training dates
- Willing to raise support funds
- Willing to Pay \$75 of your own money toward deposit

Required training meetings are on:

- March 28th 12:00 – 2:00
- April 17th 9:30 – 12:00
- May 2nd 12:00 – 2:00
- June 6th 12:00 – 2:00



Total Cost: \$415

Includes: Lodging, Transportation, t-shirt, books, meals

- \$25 of student's money for deposit to reserve spot (23 max.) and application due on **March 21st**
- \$50 remaining deposit (student's money) due on **April 17th**
- Balance of \$340 to be collected through support letters

Did You Know That...

The annual expenditures for conventions held in Chicago are higher than the total city government budget.

Chicago is home to the world's busiest airport – O'Hare field. In 1997, 180,000 travelers per day passed through the airport—that's over 70 million passengers for the year (and that doesn't even count the traffic through Chicago's two other airports—Midway and Meigs Field). Chicago's airports generate 339,000 jobs for the region.

Chicago is known as "The Neighborhood City". The metropolis is divided into 77 distinct neighborhoods, each with its own name.

The Cubs haven't won a World Series title since 1908, the longest such run of frustration in major sports history.

People, Problems, Issues

Chicago houses the largest public housing project in the world – the Robert Taylor Homes. Located just across the expressway from Comiskey Park, home for the Chicago White Sox major-league baseball team, these high-rise apartments extend in an unbroken 2 1/2-mile stretch.

The Chicago public school system is one of the nation's poorest. Less than 50% of Chicago's public school students can pass the national aptitude test.

Women with children comprise 34% of Chicago's homeless population. Most often, they're fleeing domestic violence they suffered in their former residences.

CSM Ministry Site Sampler

Good News Community Church operates a soup kitchen in the Rogers Park neighborhood on the far-north side of Chicago. They serve an evening meal seven days a week, 365 days a year. Last year, they served more than 59,000 meals. Tony, the director of the kitchen (and a WONDERFUL guy) also heads up a children's program, reaching out to the kids in the neighborhood. Our groups help serve meals and get to eat dinner with the guests.

Cornerstone Community Outreach (CCO) is located in Blood Alley of the Uptown neighborhood. The alley used to be very dark and was a haven for gang violence, prostitution, and drug dealing. CCO came into the alley and brought light (both figuratively and literally). They installed street lights to make the alley safer and also bring the light of Christ to the people of the neighborhood. CCO has a women and children's transitional shelter (guests can stay for up to 3 months.) They have 60 beds for women and children. Our groups put on a VBS during the summer and help serve meals throughout the year.

Casa Central is the largest Hispanic social service agency in Illinois. They offer a myriad of programs for children and families. Our groups usually help with day care and after school programs and special projects.

St. Thomas Soup Kitchen is a feeding program that serves the Uptown neighborhood. Homeless and low income people receive meals and other services. Our groups help serve and clean up evening meals.

