CARE Student Missionary (2024-25)

Call ID: NAD-WWU-000260-2024 Where: Pacific Northwest, United States When: Sep 2, 2024 - Jun 2, 2025

Summary

Originating in the Pacific Northwest, the CARE Project is coordinated out of the Center for Humanitarian Engagement (CHE) at Walla University with partial funding from Adventist Community Services (ACS) at the North American Division of Seventh-day Adventists, with oversight from the North Pacific Union Conference ACS. The CARE Project has a vision to increase involvement of young people in community service through a comprehensive, assessment-based engagement plan, supported by a small team of CARE Student Missionaries (SMs) and resident expert partners.

This project encourages students to bring their unique backgrounds, interests, and fields of study to partner with the local work of Adventist Community Service centers. CARE Student Missionaries will learn best practices for community development and gain hands-on experience, working closely with passionate professionals, volunteers, and community partners. Length of service options are 3, 6, or 9 months in one of the following locations:

- Bonners Ferry, Idaho
- Portland, Oregon
- Nooksack, Washington
- Spokane, Washington

Destination

Pacific Northwest United States

Term

Long-Term, 3 - 12 months, Sep 2, 2024 - Jun 2, 2025

Position

Type: ADRA / Relief & Development, Total People Required: 8, Target Age: College (18-25)

Finances

Cost: Travel expenses to and from location, Monthly Living Allowance: \$450.00, Local Currency: USD, Finance Type: Regular (Shared Funding)

Lodging & Food

The CARE SM will be staying in a rented room or apartment near the host organization, possibly shared with another SM of same gender.

CARE SM will be provided a living allowance to cover meals and other basic living expenses.

Restrictions:

Depends on the local arrangements. If lodging is shared, opportunity will be limited to same gender, unless a married couple serves together.

Gender Lodging: Either

Marital Status Lodging: Either

Child Accommodations: Not Specified

Health Notes

Not Specified

Dress

Acceptable:

Appropriate to represent local Seventh-day Adventist church while building local community partnerships/relationships.

Unacceptable:

Should not distract from mission to build partnerships/relationship in local community and represent a local Seventh-day Adventist church.

Duties

Maximum of 8 volunteers needed, 2 per site. Most urgent need is 2 at the Spokane Central Church.

Working with a local church and Adventist Community Service Center, volunteers are able to be involved in the following areas of community engagement:

- refugee/immigrant assistance (Spokane, Nooksack)
- homelessness (Spokane, Portland)
- food insecurity (Nooksack)
- community garden (Nooksack)
- ESL support (Nooksack)
- vulnerable youth and/or elderly (Spokane)
- education (Spokane)
- strengthening partnerships in local community (all)
- 5-year business plans or long-term strategies (Portland)
- PR, design, communications, social media (Portland)
- Radio work, audio engineering (Bonners Ferry)

Volunteers with skills, training, or interest in the following areas are especially needed:

- Business and marketing
- Community garden
- Education

- Radio station audio engineer
- Social media
- Social work

Experience

Must have completed at least one year of college. Valid driver's license and vehicle highly recommended.

CARE SMs need to:

- be committed to growing in their faith and relationship with Jesus
- be willing to learn
- be self-starters
- have project management skills
- have good attention to detail
- be willing to work with all kinds of people, from church members to vulnerable community members
- be ready to lead in various ways, such as making appointments, leading discussions or focus groups, etc.

Education

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Education Concentration

Social Work, Business, Marketing, Communications, Agriculture, Community Development

Languages

English (fluent)

Trade Skills

Child Care

Host « Private » Host Contact « Private »

Travel Documentation Travel				
Destination City	Spokane, Nook Portland, or Bo		Destination Airport	Spokane, Seattle, Portland
Medical				
Required Inoculations	N/A		HIV Clearance Required?	No
Medical Recommendations	(not set)			
Visa				
Visa Required?	No	Visa Type	(not set)	

Visa Application By	(not set)
Work Permit Required?	No
Work Permit Application By	(not set)
Police Clearance Required?	No
Child Protection Required?	No
Send Documentation To	(not set)
Documentation Deadline	(not set)
Visa Travel Details	

Preference given to U.S. citizens at this time. Exceptions may be made on case-by-case basis.

InterviewOrientationPhone Interview Required?YesOrientation on Site?YesSigned Agreement Required?NoOrientation Stipend?Yes			
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Signed Agreement Required? No Orientation Stipend? Yes	Phone Interview Required? Yes	Orientation on Site?	Yes
	Signed Agreement Required? No	Orientation Stipend?	Yes

Travel Advisory

United States

Exercise normal precautions