

# YNIA



YOUNG NEIGHBORS IN ACTION

# SUMMER 2019

Helping Youth Encounter Christ Through a Catholic Experience of Service, Community, and Faith

## ENCOUNTER CHRIST

Your youth will meet Christ in those in need, in each other, and in engaging liturgies, adoration, and morning and evening prayer. As they grow deeper in their relationship with Christ through their service, they discover the connection between Scripture and service, between Catholic social teaching and living as disciples of Jesus Christ.



## ENGAGE IN MEANINGFUL SERVICE

Young neighbors work with children, do manual labor, or work at agencies which feed, clothe, and provide resources to the most vulnerable. Work is age-appropriate but challenging. Youth work in community gardens, soup kitchens, homeless shelters, new immigrant support centers, day camps, and senior centers. In some sites, they build, paint, and repair homes.

## GROW IN FAITH

Through interactive evening experiences, YNIA helps youth discover the connections between their Catholic faith and justice, and between Scripture and the service they are doing. YNIA evenings are filled with learning, reflection, and fun! During the week, youth and their leaders plan for ways to continue to serve and grow in faith back home.



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# SALT & Light

MATTHEW 5:13-16

# 2019

# THEME

Our 2019 theme for YNIA comes from the Gospel of Matthew. Jesus challenges us to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. In his time on earth, salt was often used to ignite a flame. We are called to ignite hope in those we serve. During a YNIA week, we are also called to be light and bring light to those whose lives have too much darkness due to poverty, hunger, and need.



“You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned?...You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden...Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father.”

(Matt 5:13-16)

# YNIA SUMMER 2019 DATES AND LOCATIONS

**Brooklyn, NY**  
July 14-19

**Buffalo, NY**  
July 7-12  
July 21-26

**Chicago, IL**  
June 23-28  
July 7-12  
July 14-19

**Cleveland, OH**  
July 7-12

**Detroit, MI**  
June 23-28

**Gallup, NM**  
June 16-21

**Great Falls, MT**  
June 23-28

**Green Bay, WI**  
June 23-28

**Omaha, NE**  
June 16-21

**Omaha/Winnebago, NE**  
June 24-30

**Providence, RI**  
TBC

**San Diego, CA**  
July 21-26

**San Francisco**  
July TBC

**South Bend, IN**  
July 7-12

**Springfield, KY**  
June 23-28

**St. Louis, MO**  
July 7-12  
July 14-19

**Tacoma, WA**  
July 7-12

**Tucson, AZ**  
June 23-28

**Washington, DC**  
July 14-19  
July 21-26 TBC

**Worcester, MA**  
July 14-19  
July 21-26

**Yakima, WA**  
July 14-19



## PARTICIPATION

Young Neighbors in Action is a Catholic mission trip designed for high school age youth. You will need one adult chaperone (21 years of age or older) for every five young people you bring.

## \$395 PER PARTICIPANT

Includes all meals, lodging, T-shirts, worksite supplies, and support for you and your team (e.g. resources for fundraising, preparation, and follow-through).

# REGISTER TODAY!

## CALL NANCY AT 253-853-5422

For registration information,  
visit [www.YoungNeighbors.org](http://www.YoungNeighbors.org) or email [nancy@cmdnet.org](mailto:nancy@cmdnet.org).

For YNIA program questions,  
contact Joan Weber (402) 319-5711 or [joanweber@cmdnet.org](mailto:joanweber@cmdnet.org).

**JUST 5 DAYS**

The Center for Ministry Development provides a service and mission experience designed just for middle school youth. Just5Days offers great service opportunities, dynamic faith learning, and engaging prayer for those going into 7th, 8th and 9th grades.

Learn more at [www.Just5Days.org](http://www.Just5Days.org).



“Young Neighbors has very much changed my life because it puts more fire into my heart and motivates me to keep doing service. It has helped me find out new things about myself and truly showed me how we are all family under God.”  
- YNIA participant

**Rely on experienced, faith-filled, and dynamic staff.**

Our leaders live their Catholic faith, love working with youth, and are passionate about serving those in need. They faithfully follow your diocesan safe environment policies.

**Access resources at your fingertips to prepare for your mission.**

We offer engaging ways to get your youth ready for service, along with practical tips for fundraising and recruiting youth and chaperones.

**Customize your experience.**

Our team will help you plan a trip with service experiences that match your community. You can call with questions or concerns and count on personal attention from the CMD staff.

