

# Allegheny Youth Development



## **About**

Since 1994, Allegheny Youth Development has combined traditional academic support with social and emotional learning in an out-of-school-time setting to help hundreds of North Side youth break the cycle of poverty, crime, and joblessness.

## **Opportunities**

### *Academic Mentors*

Tutor one, two, or three designated students throughout an entire public school grading period. AYD asks academic mentors to study with their students for 90-minute sessions at least twice a week. Students bring their own study materials and homework assigned by their teachers.

### *Recreation Volunteers*

Teach or assist in AYD's free elective classes. Commitments usually range from nine to 18 weeks, with volunteers working two to four hours per week

### *Support Volunteers*

May serve in a wide range of capacities, including van drivers, office assistants, and custodial workers. This category offers the widest range of commitments and hours, although we do ask these volunteers to follow a set schedule.

## **Get Started**

To learn more or to apply to volunteer, call (412) 776-5040 or e-mail [volunteer@ayd.org](mailto:volunteer@ayd.org)

## Coalition for Christian Outreach (CCO)



### **About**

CCO Campus Ministers call college students to serve Jesus Christ with their entire lives. To do this, they share the Gospel with students and develop passionate disciples of Jesus Christ, serve together with the local church and invite students into the lives of local congregations, and give students a vision for serving Jesus Christ in their studies, jobs, communities and families. They hold the Jubilee Conference every year.

### **Opportunities**

Memorial Park's Emmanuel Agladima (CCO) works with LaRoche University students. Service opportunities vary.

### **Get Started**

[E-mail Emmanuel Agladima \(eagladima@ccojubilee.org\)](mailto:eagladima@ccojubilee.org).

## Family Guidance



### **About**

Family Guidance's mission is to transform the lives of youth in historically underserved neighborhoods through intentional relationships and the promise of Jesus Christ. We do that by serving youth ages 6-18 right here in Pittsburgh. Family guidance seeks to make a transformational impact on children's lives — whether it's through our one2one mentoring program or Promise Camp summer experience.

### **Opportunities**

- Mentoring youth from historically underserved neighborhoods in Pittsburgh.
- Small group "work days" to help maintain their facilities at Promise Camp.

### **Get Started**

E-mail Sami Bartek ([sbartek@familyguidance.net](mailto:sbartek@familyguidance.net)) or sign up to mentor at [FamilyGuidance.net/programs/mentoring/volunteer-mentor](https://FamilyGuidance.net/programs/mentoring/volunteer-mentor)

## Garfield Community Farm

### **About**

Over the past decade Garfield Community Farm has been restoring nearly three acres of abandoned and degraded urban land to become one of Pittsburgh's most productive and active urban farms. Their primary focus is getting food to people in their neighborhood and they do this through regular donation to food pantries and conducting a CSA (vegetable subscription program) reserved for people living within one mile of the farm.



### **Opportunities**

#### *Learn with Them*

Each year they conduct dozens of farm tours, field trips, and classes at the farm for all ages.

#### *Open volunteer hours*

Thursday evenings from 5:30 to dusk (beginning the first Thursday after Day Light Savings in the Spring and finishes with the last Thursday before Day Light Savings in the Fall)

First Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (begin the first Saturday of March and finish with the first Saturday in November).

### **Get Started**

E-mail John Creasy at [john@garfieldfarm.com](mailto:john@garfieldfarm.com)

# InterVarsity Christian Fellowship

## **About**

In response to God's love, grace, and truth: The purpose of InterVarsity Christian Fellowship/USA is to establish and advance at colleges and universities witnessing communities of students and faculty who follow Jesus as Savior and Lord: growing in love for God, God's Word, God's people of every ethnicity and culture, and God's purposes in the world.

## **Opportunities**

*Prayer Team.*

## **Get Started**

E-mail Robin Capcara at [robin.capcara@gmail.com](mailto:robin.capcara@gmail.com).



## Light of Life Rescue Mission



### **About**

Light of Life is a place where hope and healing meet for men, women, and families experiencing homelessness, poverty, or addiction. They are committed to transforming lives through the love of Christ.

### **Opportunities**

#### *Meal Ministry*

Help with food prep or serve breakfast or dinner

#### *Hospitality*

Spend time with shelter guests before they head into the mission for the night

#### *Office Work*

Help at the administration office

#### *Tunch & Wolf's Walk for The Homeless in May*

### **Get Started**

Complete the volunteer application online at <https://www.lightoflife.org/get-involved/volunteer/volunteer-overview/>

## Ligonier Camp & Conference Center

### **About**

The mission of Ligonier Camp and Conference Center is to provide people with reflective and recreational opportunities that will build faith in Christ, self-esteem and supportive relationships.

### **Opportunities**

*Summer camp sessions for kids of all ages*  
*Transformative job opportunities for college students*

### **Get Started**

E-mail Patrick Myers at [pmyers@ligoniercamp.org](mailto:pmyers@ligoniercamp.org)



## North Hills Community Outreach (NHCO)

### **About**

North Hills Community Outreach is a community- and interfaith-based organization addressing the needs of people in crisis, hardship and poverty. They offer a plethora of services for people in Northern Allegheny county including three food pantries, services for seniors, transportation assistance, education assistance, utilities and emergency services, employment services and more. In addition to their Allison Park office, NHCO also has offices in Millvale and Bellevue.

### **Opportunities**

*Special events & fundraisers*

*Senior programs*

*Drivers*

*Garden and groundskeeping*

*Office support*

*Food pantry*

### **Get Started**

E-mail Harriet Klatte (Volunteer Coordinator) at [hzklatte@nhco.org](mailto:hzklatte@nhco.org)





## Open Hand Ministries (OHM)



### **About**

OHM promotes social justice in the East End of Pittsburgh by building a diverse community focused on financial wellness, equity creation, and home ownership. This is done through their Family Development program; OHM has adopted and adapted the national Circles-USA model as the core of their Family Development program.

### **Opportunities**

#### *Construction Workdays*

First Saturdays, Third Saturdays, and Weekly Workday Wednesdays.

#### *Become an ally in their OHM—Circles community*

Circle Allies are community members who want to be in a supportive, intentional relationship with an individual or family working to overcome systemic barriers and improve their lives.

#### *Provide a meal for OHM—Circles Community*

Tuesday evenings at 6:00 p.m.

### **Get Started**

Complete the contact form at <https://openhandpgh.org/how-to-help/>

## The Pittsburgh Project (TPP)



### **About**

The Pittsburgh Project is a Christian nonprofit community organization with a thirty-four year history of service to the Pittsburgh area, through investment in future leaders and vulnerable homeowners. Located on Pittsburgh's Northside, our staff operates a progressive series of youth after-school programs, welcomes partners year-round to serve community homeowners, and operates local recreation spaces.

### **Opportunities**

#### *After School Program Volunteering*

Volunteers are needed any day Monday-Thursday for the 3:00-6:00 PM program, which provides math and reading tutoring. From 5:00-6:00 PM, volunteers for electives activities, such as chess club, are also needed. Volunteers are asked to commit to a semester or a full year, and must have all clearances prior to serving.

#### *Single-Day Service Opportunities*

Large groups are welcome to schedule days of service to assist with cleaning out the TPP van, sorting, folding, and prepping mailouts, gardening, and other activities.

### **Get Started**

Complete the contact form at <https://www.pittsburghproject.org/volunteer>

## Pittsburgh Region International Student Ministries (PRISM)



### **About**

PRISM ministers to international students, particularly those attending Carnegie Mellon University and University of Pittsburgh.

### **Opportunities**

#### *Become a Friendship Partner*

An American Friendship Partner typically gets together with the international student once per month as they build a friendship, work on English-speaking skills, and even spend holidays together.

#### *Connections Dinners.*

#### *Garage Giveaway*

Every August, PRISM hosts the Garage Giveaway where recently arrived international students get to “shop” for free furniture and furnishings for their apartment. At MPC, we collect items to be donated, and you can also volunteer the day of the Garage Giveaway.

### **Get Started**

Sign up online at <https://prism.salsalabs.org/studentconnectionprograms/index.html>

## Uncommon Grounds Café

### **About**

Their mission is to reach the least, the last, and the lost with the gospel of Christ through listening and offering dignity. Located in the heart of Aliquippa, the cafe offers great food and coffee as well as a space for individuals and churches to learn and practice the Great Commission through volunteering, work missions, and training.

### **Opportunities**

- Spending time in the cafe and connecting with people*
- Kitchen work*
- Groundskeeping*
- Garden maintenance*
- Homeless outreach*

### **Get Started**

Sign up online at <https://www.uncommongroundscafe.org/volunteer-signups.html>



## Urban Impact

### **About**

Their missions is “to do our part in fulfilling Christ’s Great Commission on the North Side of Pittsburgh by following His model of holistic ministry by investing in the lives of at-risk children, youth, and their families in order to develop responsible followers of Christ.



### **Opportunities**

*Coaching athletics*

*Education assistance*

*Performing arts coaching*

*Mentoring*

*Building projects*

### **Get Started**

Apply online at <https://uifpgh.org/volunteer/>

## Women's Choice Network



### **About**

WCN empowers abortion-vulnerable women to choose life. Since 1985, their Centers have provided life-affirming pregnancy services to thousands of families in Pittsburgh. In 2009, their Centers re-organized as WCN with a vision to offer these services in neighborhoods with greatest need. They currently serve in Oakland, Monroeville Mall, North Side, and Wexford.

### **Opportunities**

*Prayer Partners*

*Client Advocate*

*Volunteer Nurses*

*Center Reception/Office Assistant*

*The Nest Children's Resale Store*

*Event Planning*

*Hospitality*

*Church Liaison*

*Cleaning Person*

*Campus Representative*

### **Get Started**

E-mail [kate@womenschoicenet.com](mailto:kate@womenschoicenet.com) to become a prayer partner. Download the volunteer application at <https://mypregnancycenter.org/get-involved/>.

Women's Choice Network is an outreach partner of Memorial Park Church



## Young Life

### **About**

Young Life's mission is to introduce adolescents to Jesus Christ and help them grow in their faith.

### **Opportunities**

*Praying for young people.*

*Becoming a Leader*

*Becoming a Committee Member*

### **Get Started**

Visit [YoungLife.org](http://YoungLife.org)

