

# **LVC Corps Member**

**Summary:** Lutheran Volunteer Corps (LVC) is a faith-based, full-time service & leadership program operating in 13 cities across the U.S. Our mission: to unite people to work for peace with justice. We do this by placing 90 Volunteers in full-time positions at social justice nonprofit organizations for a year. All our Volunteers live together in intentional community, practicing simple & sustainable living, while exploring spirituality. LVC offers all Volunteers housing, living stipend, health insurance & 2 weeks' vacation.

### In LVC.

- You will be matched in a position that aligns with your social justice interests and talents.
- You will live simply and sustainably in intentional community and learn conflict resolution and consensus building skills that will help you to build bridges across difference toward shared goals.
- You will gain a deeper intellectual and emotional understanding of institutional and structural oppression in which we all have been socialized and in which all work for peace with justice takes place.
- You will be connected and energized by your own sources of spiritual strength that direct, impact, and sustain your commitment to peace with justice.

#### Member benefits:

- Furnished Housing
- Yearly Stipend (covers rent, transportation, food & personal expenses)
- Health Insurance, if needed
- Regional retreats & programming
- Post-Service Graduate School Scholarships: http://lutheranvolunteercorps.org/alumni-opps
- Student Loans can be put on income-driven repayment, deferment or forbearance: http://lutheranvolunteercorps.org/student-loans-lvc

### **Requirements:**

- 21 or older by Aug 5, 2017
- H.S. diploma or GED; B.A. preferred
- LVC Volunteers come from a wide variety of faith backgrounds, and do not need to be Lutheran
- Married and committed partners are welcome to apply
- Not required to be a U.S. citizen; permanent residents, F-1 students and DACA recipients welcome to apply. We do not sponsor applicants from outside the U.S.

**Areas of Service:** Addiction/Recovery, Education, Environment, Food Justice, Gender Equality, Health Care, HIV/AIDS, Housing, Immigration, International Solidarity, Legal Aid, LGBTQ Equality, Refugee Services, Senior Services, Supporting people with Disabilities, Workers' Rights, Youth Engagement. Read about specific positions on our website: <a href="https://www.lutheranvolunteercorps.org/volunteer/positions">www.lutheranvolunteercorps.org/volunteer/positions</a>.

**Locations:** Baltimore, MD; Wilmington, DE; Washington, DC; Chicago, IL; Milwaukee, WI; Minneapolis & St. Paul, MN; Omaha, NE; Seattle & Tacoma, WA; Berkeley, Oakland & San Francisco, CA.

**Application Deadlines:** January 15 and April 1, & then rolling basis until positions are full (see reverse for app process)

**Questions?** Contact Rev. Elizabeth Flomo, Recruitment & Outreach Manager: <a href="mailto:recruitment@lutheranvolunteercorps.org">recruitment@lutheranvolunteercorps.org</a> or 612-787-8844 (cell; text is fine).

## **WELCOME TO ALL**

LVC believes in forming and strengthening alliances among people of many cultures and communities, and intentionally dismantling racism within LVC, the church, and society. As a Reconciling in Christ organization, LVC welcomes and encourages the participation of people who self-identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered and queer in all aspects of LVC.

# **LVC Application & Placement Matching Process**

Deciding to participate in a service year program takes time. Filling out an application for LVC is an invitation to reflect and engage in conversation to figure out if LVC is your next step. When you apply to LVC, you are applying to the whole program – your intentional house community, service site, anti-racism engagement and more.

You need to be accepted to the LVC program as a whole before going through the LVC Placement interview process.

Our Placement interview process is structured to take in to account your preferences for type of position and/or geographic location, although greater flexibility and openness means a higher chance of a strong match. Your commitment to LVC is final when you accept a match.

"LVC offered the opportunity to combine my passion for social justice and strategic communications, serving underprivileged populations through digital media storytelling."

- Ashley, '14-'15, Wilmington, DE Communications Assistant, Ministry of Caring

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Start your Application live www.lutheranvolunteercorps.org in October application Jan 15 - Round 1 Complete Sooner is better. April 1 - Round 2 to have more **Application** Then, rolling til full position choices **LVC Program** Phone interview A chance to talk through the whole of LVC with LVC staff or program, answer your questions, and Interview alum figure out if LVC is your next step **LVC Applicants** Accepted Applicants choose their Top 10 interview & give **Placement** applicants see positions; LVC assigns up to 3 their feedback available positions interviews Interview to LVC staff LVC staff assign matches based LVC staff call **Matching** Round 1 - March on applicant & placement applicants to Round 2 - May Day feedback and program needs offer matches Starts with Sign 3-way contract Start LVC year Commitment with LVC, Volunteer acceptance of on August 4, & Placement your match 2018

See the LVC website for a more detailed timeline for each Round of application.

www.LutheranVolunteerCorps.org